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# FRANCE DEMANDS STATUS QUO

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## COLLUSION CHARGES

HOLD-UP OF U.S.  
WARSHIPS

INVESTIGATION  
DEMANDED

Washington, To-day.

"Collusion" on the part of steel manufacturers may be behind the drastic holding up of construction on the new American warships.

This is the suggestion made by a spokesman of the committee for industrial organization, who urges Federal investigation.

The spokesman alleged that the failure of the steel industry to bid on Government contracts, which is delaying all naval construction in Government yards owing to the lack of steel, is no accident.

### SUPPLIES WITHHELD

It is alleged that manufacturers are withholding supplies from the Navy as a protest against the Walsh-Healy Law, which imposes a 40-hour week and other conditions on firms tendering for Government contracts.

The Navy is vainly endeavouring to purchase 111,000 tons of steel but there is no delay in construction of naval vessels in private yards, the owners of which are not subject to the Walsh-Healy Act of the purchase of materials.—Reuter.

### LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone remains unchanged over China and the neighbouring seas. The depression appears to be stationary near Hokkaido.

Local forecast. N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy.

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## COLLECTIVE SECURITY

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE QUESTION OF DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN FRANCE AND GERMANY IS DEALT WITH IN THE NEWSPAPER "L'OEUVRE" BY THE RADICAL-SOCIALIST DEPUTY AND SPOKESMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE, M. ARCHIMBAUD.

M. Archimbaud declares that France has never hesitated to negotiate directly with Germany in so far as mutual exchange of opinions could be carried on through the usual diplomatic channels.

France, however, declines to enter into negotiations with Berlin which could have no other result than the relinquishing of the fundamental principles upon which her security is based.

Collective security, he stated, signifies for France the maintenance of the European status quo in which France, through her strong and independent allies, would be able to achieve the balance of power with a united Central Europe extending from the Baltic to the Black Sea.

It is a disputable question, he declared, whether France, even under the present system, would consider herself as enjoying equal rights should Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Austria and Poland unite with Germany in supporting a strong Nazi bloc. France could, therefore, be induced to sacrifice her principle

of collective security and thereby her entire system of treaties and allies, he concluded, only when Franco-German negotiations lead to complete and unconditional confidence and mutual faith.—Trans-Ocean.

## Plea For Pardon Rejected

Nanking, To-day.

The Ministry of Justice has rejected Mr. Wang Ching-wei's appeal for pardon of the participants in his attempted assassination in November, 1935.

—Reuter.

## PURGE OF SIAN REBELS

Young Marshal Loses  
Support

Shanghai, To-day.

General Ho Chu-kuo, delegate from the North-Eastern army, who is now in Nanking, has informed General Chiang Kai-shek that the army has abandoned its demand for reinstatement of Chang Hsueh-liang, according to the Chinese press.

Meanwhile General Yang Hucheng, leader of the Shensi rebels, has returned to Sianfu from San-yuan and has conferred with General Ku Tso-tung.

It is understood that a purge of the participants in the abortive counter-revolt on February 2, when Wang I-cheh, one of the Young Marshal's most trusted lieutenants, was assassinated, is now proceeding.—Reuter.

## M.C.C. FACING DEFEAT

New South Wales Out  
For 246

Sydney, To-day.

With 268 runs required for victory and nine wickets to fall, the M.C.C. eleven are facing defeat at the hands of New South Wales.

The home team collapsed this morning, the last four wickets adding only 41 to the overnight total of 205 for 6.

Going in with 405 runs to win the M.C.C. had lost one wicket at lunch with 37 runs on the board.

Scores—

N.S.W.—231 and 246

M.C.C.—73 and 37 for 1.—Reuter.



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## BRITAIN ASKED TO MEDiate

### POLITICAL ACTIVITY BY GERMAN MINORITY IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

CONSIDERABLE INTEREST HAS BEEN AROUSED IN LONDON BY THE VISIT TO ENGLAND OF HERR HEINRICH RUTHA, THE CHIEF LIEUTENANT OF THE LEADER OF THE BIGGEST GERMAN MINORITY PARTY IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

According to the diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," Britain has been approached regarding the question of the German minority group in Czechoslovakia, and has been asked to act as mediator between the Party and the Government.

Britain, the correspondent alleges, urged the Czech Government to seek closer co-operation with the German minority, and lately there has been some response.

The Government advances, he continues, have been made to three small minority groups, representing only 18 per cent. of the population.

#### HERR RUTHA'S CLAIM

Herr Rutha claims that his Party represents 65 per cent. of the German population, but that the Czech Government has refused to negotiate with him and as a result his followers have been agitating for action.

The correspondent states that the situation in Czechoslovakia will become serious unless the Prague Government changes its mind.

He also expresses concern over the way in which London is being dragged into the dispute.—Trans-Ocean.

### BIG LINER FOR FAR EAST RUN

Lloyd Triestino's  
New Boat

The s.s. "Conte Verde" which is due to sail from Hong Kong on the 16th May and from Shanghai on the 14th May is to be replaced by the Trans-Atlantic, "Conte Biancamano," 24,500 tons.

This vessel which was previously on the North and South Atlantic run is very luxuriously appointed and has a speed of 23 knots.

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## NAVAL ACTION OFF SPANISH COAST?

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A PREDICTION THAT WHAT WILL BE THE FIRST MAJOR NAVAL ENGAGEMENT IN THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR IS LIKELY TO TAKE PLACE AT ANY MOMENT NOW, IS MADE AS A RESULT OF TELEGRAMS FROM GIBRALTAR.

The telegrams reveal that the entire loyalist fleet has steamed out of Cartagena harbour for an unknown destination.

Nothing is known of the intentions of the commander but it is believed that an attempt is to be made to halt the advance of the rebel troops from Malaga to Almeria by a fleet action.

Meanwhile the insurgent troops east of the Jarama River continue to make progress according to rebel claims.

Rebel troops who stormed and captured loyalist trenches yesterday found the body of a woman dressed in the uniform of lieutenant of militia.—Trans-Ocean.

#### JAPANESE-BURMA TRADE PACT

London, To-day.

A commercial treaty has been concluded between Japan and Burma, according to advices received here from Delhi.

Details of the treaty are not yet available but the immediate effect of the agreement will be to give fresh

### NO PROFITTEERING BILL IN PARIS

Cabinet's Decision

Paris, To-day.

Premier Leon Blum's announcement that a Bill to stabilise prices in France will be brought before Parliament this week, has proved to be the chief political event in the past 24 hours.

The speech was primarily intended for French civil servants who have especially suffered during the increase in the cost of living, owing to the pay cuts imposed on them.

The decision to introduce the Bill was taken at a meeting of the Cabinet yesterday morning, when the Minister for National Economy, M. Charles Spinasse, was charged with the task of drafting the new measure.—Trans-Ocean.

impetus to the negotiations for a trade agreement between Japan and India.—Trans-Ocean.



## THE WORLD GOES BY

YOU may remember, gentle readers, that in this column yesterday I described an average day in the life of a newspaperman. It was written in reply to a letter from a damsel named Diana. Now she has written me again. Here it is.

Dear Ulysses,

Really you must have been pulling my leg yesterday when you wrote about beautiful secretaries and bottles of Scotch in the office. How could you be so horrid? I did so want to know what your work was like and all you do is to mock me. I think you are a nasty man.—Diana.

You are not the first to call me a nasty man, Diana. But I just felt like behaving that way and one mustn't repress one's natural feelings, must one? Otherwise one becomes full of inhibitions and has to see a psycho-analyst or something, and they are so expensive, aren't they, Diana?

I'm sorry if you took it so seriously. Let me describe a day in a newspaper office more truthfully.

First, of course, one must have a hero. Shall we call him Horace? Yes, I think so.

Horace, let us say, is supposed to report at the office all present and correct at the witching hour of 7 a.m. Horace, therefore, naturally appears at 7.45 a.m. He looks in the letter box, finds there a couple of bills and a letter from his Old Boys' Society. He next turns to the bulletin board and reads last year's notices ("No member of the staff must mutilate the files," etc). Then he hangs his coat over the back of a chair, first having taken it off, of course. Next he takes an aspirin, having been out the night before, and looks for copy paper and pencils, rare specimens ever in a news office. He then realises the editor has already arrived (strange, this) and at him he looks in an expectant and defiant manner. The editor has not been entirely unaware of his presence but says nothing. He is storing it up for some later hour, and contents himself with picking out the loudest of the day's telegrams and tossing them contemptuously at Horace, who is then ready to start for the day with muttered curses, headshaking and rolling of the eyeballs.

Horace then gets down to it.

But this is by no means the worst portion of his labours. That is yet to come, when he has to sub-copy submitted by members of the reporting staff. In its original state this copy is horrible to look upon and induces in Horace an acute feeling that he is rapidly going insane, during which he tears his hair and mumbles to himself. And all because Horace is expected to spell and to be familiar with simple rules of grammar, which apparently eliminates the necessity for such knowledge among those who write for the paper. Horace also has to look for libel and obvious embellishments which have been thrown in casually to liven the story up a little. He also has to watch for the mixed metaphor which lurks amid the mass of material turned in every day and with which

## HAPSBURG RESTORATION HOPES FADE

### Fruitless Visit To London

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

It is fairly apparent, says the London press, that the Austrian monarchist movement has suffered a severe setback as a result of Chancellor Schuschnigg's speech.

The papers also draw attention to the visit to London of Herr Wiesner, representative of the Archduke Otto, the claimant to the Austrian throne.

Herr Wiesner, says the "News Chronicle," has asked the British Government whether King George would give an audience to the Archduke Otto and whether the British Government would be favourably disposed towards a visit by the Archduke to Austria.

The paper states that a negative reply was given to Herr Wiesner in both cases.

From this it seems clear, the journal continues, that Great Britain will not lend support to any attempt at a Hapsburg restoration.—Trans-Ocean.

## SIR OSWALD ON COLONIES

### Pleads Germany's Cause

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

A strong plea for return to Germany of the colonies taken from her by the Treaty of Versailles was made yesterday by Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the British Fascists, in a speech at Leeds.

"Provided that Germany is willing to give guarantees of a practical nature, her former colonies should be returned to her as an act of justice and a contribution to peace," he declared.

Sir Oswald also spoke on the Spanish civil war. Britain, he said, should keep strictly neutral in the conflict.—Trans-Ocean.

## CHINESE HONOURS

### Olympic Decorations Conferred

Berlin, To-day.

Olympic decorations have been conferred on several Chinese officials, according to an announcement to-day.

The officials are Mr. Wang Shichieh and Lieut.-Gen. Chang Chichiang, both of whom have been awarded the first-class Olympic decoration.

The second class of the order has been awarded to Dr. Chu Min-i and Dr. Chu Chia-hua.—Trans-Ocean.

all good newspaper writers sprinkle their copy.

Which is all I am going to produce to-day. For one thing I am tired. For another I think this is all drivel, but I suppose, I shall have to continue it to-morrow in order to relieve Diana's apparently unquenchable thirst for knowledge.

Watch for our next instalment.

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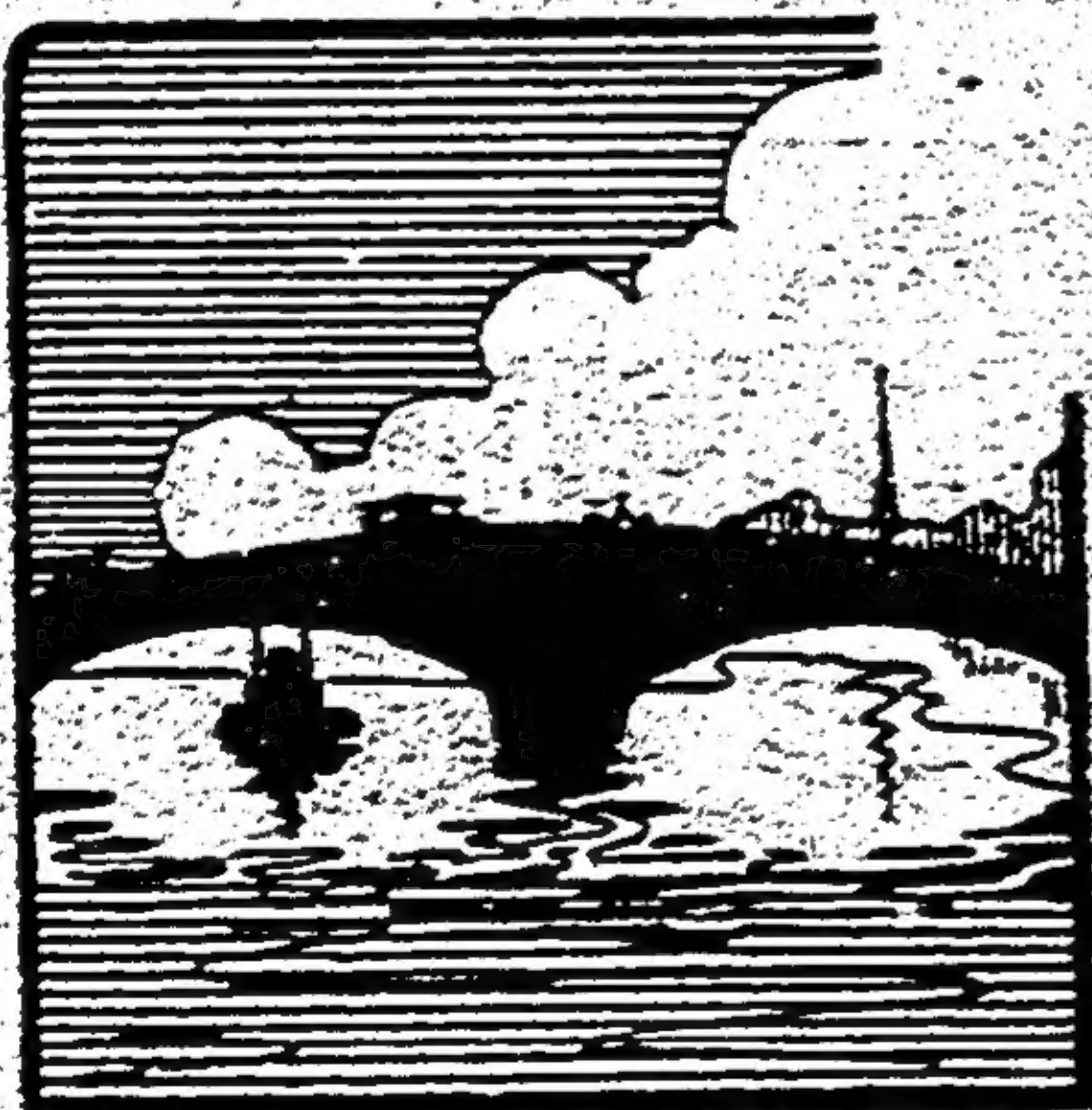
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## BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR OPEN

### CORONATION MOTIF PROMINENT AMONG EXHIBITS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

BUYERS OF BRITISH GOODS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD YESTERDAY FLOCKED TO OLYMPIA, WHERE THE MAIN SECTION OF THE BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR IS BEING HELD.

The other sections of the Fair, devoted respectively to textiles and machinery, were simultaneously opened at the White City and Birmingham.

The Coronation theme has been skilfully introduced in many forms of industry.

The most expensive exhibit of this kind is a pair of shoes made of cloth of gold and studded with diamonds and rubies. The shoes cost six hundred guineas.

Business was brisk from the outset, notably in the manufactures of soft goods and furniture makers.—Reuter.

The Queen yesterday paid a visit to the textile section of the Fair at the White City.

The King and Queen will visit the Olympia section of the Fair to-day.—British Wireless.

### CATHEDRAL WEDDING

Mr. R. W. D. Danby And  
Miss F. Black

At St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, Miss Frances Mary Black, of Calgary, and Mr. Ronald William Denison Danby, of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., were married in the presence of a large number of friends.

The Rev. H. W. Baines officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Black of Calgary, Canada. The bridegroom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. James Denison Danby, of Hong Kong.

The bride who entered the Cathedral on the arm of the Hon. Mr. A. W. Hughes, was gown in ivory crepe-back satin with a court train, set off with a long tulle veil held in place by a Mary, Queen of Scots, head-dress trimmed with pearls. She carried a sheaf of arum lilies.

Mrs. D. L. Newbiggin, as Matron of Honour, wore a geranium red crepe gown with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of larkspurs and African daisies.

The bridegroom's mother chose black crepe for her gown, set off with a silver fox stole. Her bouquet was of carnations.

The duties of best man were undertaken by Mr. H. A. Browning.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Gloucester Hotel.

The honeymoon is being spent at Shek-O, the bride's going-away dress being of black chiffon velvet and over this she wore a seal-skin coat.

### SUBMARINE RAIL TUNNEL

#### Survey By Midget Craft

A midget submarine from the Nishimura deep sea research institute is surveying the seabed at the site of the proposed submarine railway tunnel across the Kammon Straits which connects the island of Kyushu with the Japanese mainland.

The midget submarine will spend about a month examining the straits and will call at Tokuyama on her return voyage, where she will examine

### Col. Lindbergh In Cairo

Cairo, To-day.

Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh arrived here yesterday afternoon in their special Miles plane.

The famous couple's arrival passed almost unnoticed as they successfully evaded reporters.—Trans-Ocean.

### STRONGER EASTERN DEFENCES

Plans for the development of aerodromes and landing grounds in the Far East with a view to increasing at no distant date the strength of the Far East command now limited to four squadrons is being carried out as rapidly as possible.

The three principal service aerodromes in Singapore Island, Seletar, Tengah and Sembawang are being improved to accommodate at an emergency an additional reinforcement of squadrons from other parts of the Empire.

At Tengah, £50,000 out of a total estimated expenditure of £70,000 will be spent by the end of the financial year on improvements to the landing ground, while £75,000 will be sent by the same date on the actual station leaving a further £1,000 to be spent in the course of the next two or three years.

The modernisation of Sembawang will be one-fifth completed at the end of the financial year at a cost of £36,000 out of a total estimated expenditure of £150,000.

Landing grounds are also being developed at Penang and Pathuend (Hong Kong) while the modernisation of the aerodrome at Kai Tak (Hong Kong) is due for completion at the end of the financial year.

The R.A.F. personnel at Seletar has been raised to over 700 in all ranks.

The development of flying-boat anchorages and landing grounds in Borneo are also being watched with particular interest in view of their strategic command of the Eastern Sea approaches to Singapore and also because of the present vulnerability of the rich Miri oil-fields.

An accident occurred in the harbour at 3.45 p.m. yesterday when the motor-boat Choi Kee struck the side of the s.s. Kwangchow and sank. There were three persons in the boat at the time but they were rescued by sampans in the vicinity.

Miss Hensie Rogotta, the clever acrobatic dancer who has been appearing at the Gloucester Hotel for several weeks, left last night for Shanghai.

the sunken hull of the super-dreadnaught Tosa, shelled and sunk in compliance with the Washington treaty. The submarine will also stop off Shodoshima to inspect the seabed where a mammoth skeleton was discovered years ago suggesting that the present island of Japan were a portion of continental Asia in age past.



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# Today's Wireless

H. V. Hodson's  
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On World Affairs

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.  
12.30 p.m.—Orchestral Programme.  
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.  
1.03 p.m.—Variety.  
1.25 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press.  
Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.  
1.40 p.m.—Light Orchestral Concert.  
2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.  
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.  
7 p.m.—Half an hour with Coleridge Taylor.  
Orchestral—  
Petite Suite de Concert.  
London Symphony Orchestra.  
No. 1—La Caprice de Nanette.  
No. 2—Demande et reponse.  
No. 3—Un Sonnet d'amour.  
No. 4—La tarantelle: freillante.  
Bass-Baritone Solos—  
Life and Death.... Peter Dawson.  
Sons of the sea.... Peter Dawson.  
Orchestral—  
Intermezzo.... New Light Symphony Orchestra.  
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.  
7.35 p.m.—The New Mayfair Orchestra.  
"Tell Her The Truth"—Selection.  
"Out of the Bottle"—Selection.  
Jubilee Dance Memories.  
"Please Teacher"—Selection.  
"Tulip Time"—Selection.  
8 p.m.—Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

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8.03 p.m.—A Concert.  
Songs—  
Von Ewig-er Liebe, Op. 43, No. 1 (Wenzig). (Brahms).  
Erinnerung, Op. 63, No. 2 (Schenkendorf). (Brahms). Alexander Kipnis (Bass); Gerald Moore (Pianoforte).  
Pianoforte Solos—  
Minuet and Trio (Schubert).  
Prelude in C Sharp Minor, Op. 3, No. 2 (Rachmaninoff).  
Arthur Rubinstein.  
Songs—  
Sandmannchen (The Little Sandman). (Brahms).  
Horch! Horch! Die Lerch (Hark! Hark! The Lark). (Shakespeare). Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano), acc. by Gerald Moore.  
Violin Solos—  
Largo on G String (Clerambault, arr. Dandelot).  
Scherzo Tarantelle, Op. 16 (Wieniawski). Heifetz.  
Songs—  
Gazing around ("Tannhauser"). (Wagner).  
O Star of Eve ("Tannhauser"). (Wagner). Gerhard Husch (Baritone).  
Cello Solos—  
The Nightingale and the rose (Rimsky-Korsakov).

The Garden of Sleep (De Lara). Beatrice Harrison.  
Songs—  
Sav, Sav, Sava, Op. 36, No. 4 (Sibelius).  
Flickan Kom Ifran Sin Alsklings Mote (Sibelius). Marian Anderson. (Contralto).  
8.55 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.  
9.15 p.m.—Dance Music.  
Fox-Trot—  
Don't look now.  
Six-Eight—  
Sarah, the Sergeant Major's Daughter.  
Fox-Trot—  
When the sun says "goodnight" to the mountain.  
The girl in the garden.  
Afterglow.  
Waltz—  
Secret Rendezvous.  
9.35 p.m.—From the Studio.  
Herbert Hertrampf (Vibraphone) and Gaston d'Aquino (Tener).  
1. Vibraphone Solo—Rendez-vous.  
2. Tener Solo—Empty Saddles.  
3. Vibraphone Solo—Serenade.  
Schubert.

Tener Solo—Would You.  
5. Vibraphone Solo—Song of Love. Mahr.  
6. Tener Solo—Serenade. Hammerstein.  
7. Vibraphone Solo—The Rosary. Nevin.  
8. Tener Solo—Song of the Cello.  
10 p.m.—London—Big Ben "World Affairs." A talk by H. V. Hodson.  
10.16 p.m.—Cinema Organ Music.  
An Autumn Serenade (Bece).  
Poem (Pibich). Reginald Foort.  
Reminiscences of Prim.  
10.30 p.m.—Variety.  
Vocal—  
Me and the Old Folks at Home. The Hill Billies.  
Saxophone Solos—  
Some of these days. After you've gone. Coleman Hawkins.  
Vocal—  
Hutch Medley. Leslie Hutchinson.  
Piano Solo—  
Charlie Kunz Piano Medley. No. R1. Charlie Kunz.  
Vocal—  
Mandoline Solo—  
La Java Du Rataia. Prof. Giuseppe Gargano.  
Yodling Song—  
Tyrolean Yodler. Friedl Lusser.  
11 p.m.—Close down.

## BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

## Know When You're Licked!

The player who does not know when he's licked had better acquire a gold mine to take care of his losses, no matter how small a stake he plays.

Perhaps a perverted conception of bravery is to blame. I say "perverted" because I don't think it is nearly so brave as it is insane to attack bare handed a man with a loaded revolver. And the same thing applies to trying a bluff on opponents who have, and know they have, most of the high cards in the deck.

The situation that is most apt to provoke this insane bravery is where both sides are vulnerable and the opponents are about to go game at a low contract, due to an advanced part score. It seems to madden certain players (experts included) to think that a rubber is to be snatched from them with an insignificant "one bid." In to-day's hand, North was a well known expert—believe it or not!

North, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

East-West 90 part score.

NORTH

S J 8

H 10 7 3 2

D K Q 4

C A K 6 5

WEST:

S A K Q 7

H K 6

D J 9 7

C Q 9 8 3

EAST:

S 9 3

H A Q 9 8 4

D A 10 5

C J 10 2

SOUTH

S 10 6 5 4 2

H J 5

D 8 6 3 2

C 7 4

The bidding:

North—East—South—West:

1 club—1 hearts—Pass—1 spades.

Double—Pass—1 no tr.—Double for looking at a quitted trick?

Pass—Pass—Pass—Pass.

It is hard to choose the right side for the jectives [or expletives] with which hand the opponents score 50 points to describe North's takeout double in their premium score unless—

He had opened a hand on as near to minimum values as one could find; his partner, who undoubtedly knew the score as well as North did, could find no bid or raise over East's one heart. But on top of that was the fact that West's spade bid gave

South another chance to defend if he should want to, without North's ridiculous urging. Had West passed to the heart bid, there would have been some justification (however infinitesimal) for North to hold the bidding open for possible secondary action on South's part. As the bidding actually went, the takeout double was sheer gall. South might have chosen more wisely with a response of two diamonds, rather than his one no trump, but he would have been at least as badly off.

West opened the spade king and followed up with the queen, after which he shifted to the king and then the six of hearts. East won the second heart lead and now, rather than concede dummy's ten of hearts by clearing the suit, led the club jack. With his only hope that of throwing the defenders on lead, declarer won with dummy's king and returned the ace and a low club. West overtook East's ten on the third round, cashed the fourth club and the ace of spades (the latter card compelling dummy to blank the king-queen of diamonds), and then led a diamond. East won with the ace and threw dummy back on lead with a diamond, to force a lead away from the 10-7 of hearts to East's overlying tenace. Thus, declarer (or more properly speaking, North, since the poor declarer had nothing to do with the matter) was held to three tricks, for an 1100 point penalty.

And I have no doubt, since the North type of player adores on blaming fate for 95 percent of all adversity, that he cursed his "luck" when the opponents sailed out with the rubber on the very next hand!

TO-DAY'S QUESTION:

Question:—Is there a penalty for looking at a quitted trick?

Answer:—Yes—if a quitted trick is looked at before the end of the

correct number of cards.

(b) it is found to contain in in-

correct number of cards.

(c) or it is necessary to turn it

in order to substitute a correct

fact that West's spade bid gave

## What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KINGS—"The Gay Desperado" with Nino Martini, Ida Lupino, and Leo Carrillo. Something decidedly different in pictures with music. A gay and colourful romance laid below the Rio Grande. Martini's glorious voice causes him to be kidnapped by a Mexican bandit chief who adopts American gangster methods but is really a sentimental music-lover.

AT THE QUEENS—"Charlie Chan at the Race Track"—with Warner Oland, Keye Luke, Helen Wood, Thomas Beck and Garin Muir. Another typical Chan mystery, but one of the best.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"That Girl From Paris"—with Lily Pons, Jack Oakie, and Gene Raymond. A lively part-musical with plenty of good fun.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Earthworm Tractor"—with Joe E. Brown, June Travis and Guy Kibbee. Joe E. Brown, super-super salesman, on a runaway tractor of huge proportions furnishes the funniest film he has ever done. If you cannot laugh at this, then a good dose of Gloomy Sunday is the only remedy.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Swing Time"—with Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Victor Moore, Helen Broderick, Eric Blore and Betty Furness. Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers are right back in their "Top Hat" form in this wholly delightful show; in fact, it is a moot point whether "Swing Time" is not their finest teamwork thus far. Eric Blore comes in to add smiles to those produced by Astaire's breezy mannerisms.

AT THE STAR—"M'Liss" with Anne Shirley and John Beal. The colour and glamour of California's old-time mining camps of the famous Bret Harte story. A delightful love story.

AT THE CENTRAL—A Chinese Picture.

## COMING PICTURES

"Gold Diggers of 1937" with Dick Powell, Joan Blondell, Victor Moore, Glenda Farrell and Lee Dixon. A happy melange. The signing of a million dollar insurance policy and the medical examination are a sure cure for the blues. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"Go West Young Man"—with Mae West, Warren William, Randolph Scott and Alice Brady. The hilarious story of a touring movie star who falls for a shy young country lad coming to the Queen's Theatre.

"Dimples"—with Shirley Temple, Frank Morgan and Helen Westley. With songs, dances and minstrelsy, Shirley Temple scores her greatest triumph in this picture. Coming to the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"Pepples From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season.

"The Girl on the Front Page"—with Edmund Lowe, Reginald Owen, Gloria Stuart and David Oliver. A society girl by her debutante doings crashes the front page of the paper she owns, but fails to impress the new editor. The quarrel produces amusing situations and grand dialogue. Coming to the Queen's.

"Yours For The Asking"—with George Raft, Dolores Costello, Barrymore, Ida Lupino and Reginald Owen. Fast moving comedy. Coming to the Star Theatre.



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# MANY BRITONS DIE IN FIGHTING ROUND MADRID

## Heavy Casualties In International Brigade REBEL ATTACKS ARE REPULSED

LISBON, TO-DAY.  
NUMBERS OF BRITISHERS WERE AMONG THOSE KILLED IN THE RECENT DRIVES ON MADRID, ACCORDING TO AN INSURGENT OBSERVER WHO HAS ARRIVED AT LISBON. The observer stated that he saw piles of bodies, mostly of British, French, Belgian and Russian militiamen on the Madrid front. Since the beginning of last week's offensive, he said, over 5,000 casualties have been suffered by the International Brigade defending the capital.

He also asserts that an "enormous quantity" of French biplanes have recently arrived. He claimed to have seen ten in an air battle over Vallecas yesterday.

Meanwhile, says a Madrid message, a heavy insurgent attack was launched at dawn yesterday on an extended front on the Jarama River sector, in which the attacking troops lost over 1,000 killed, according to loyalist quarters.

### DYNAMITE SQUADS

General Franco's troops advanced behind the protection of tanks, which provided a heavy covering fire, but after a brief engagement, loyalist dynamite squads forced the rebels back to their original positions.

At the same time rebel bombers raided the Government lines but were driven off by loyalist planes after an aerial battle.

### BOMBING RAIDS

A communique issued in Madrid states that loyalist planes carried out a bombing raid on the rebel positions at St. Martin de la Vega in order to disperse the troops concentrated there.

More refugees are leaving Madrid, the latest including a batch of sixty comprised of various nationalities, who evacuated the besieged capital yesterday.

The refugees, who had been in the British Embassy buildings, were travelling under the official protection of the British Consulate.

### VALENCIA AGAIN SHELLED

Valencia was again bombarded last night by a rebel cruiser, about thirty shells being fired into the town, which was in complete darkness.

### BALKAN STATES CONFERENCE

#### Ministers Arrive At Athens

Athens, To-day.  
The Foreign Ministers and delegates of Turkey, Rumania and Yugo-Slavia, after receiving a warm welcome at the frontier and the stations en route, arrived at Athens yesterday for the conference of the Balkan States.

One of the principal items on the agenda is the recent pact between Bulgaria and Yugo-Slavia, of which four States in the Balkan Entente have approved, indicating increased co-operation throughout the Balkans.—Reuter.

Portbon, a Spanish frontier town in the possession of the loyalists, was bombarded from the air yesterday morning, according to reports from Perpignan.

Bombs were dropped on military headquarters, the railway station and a section of the railway line.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

### THIRTY-FIVE BRITONS TAKEN PRISONER

Salamanca, To-day.  
Thirty-five Englishmen were among the prisoners taken by the insurgents on the Madrid front, says a communique from rebel headquarters.

The Englishmen were members of the International Brigade defending the capital.

In spite of reported checks to the insurgent thrust on Madrid, General de Llano has broadcast the claim that the capital will soon be entirely surrounded.

Resistance by the loyalists, he stated, could not last more than a few days longer.

### BRIDGE DESTROYED

General de Llano admitted in his broadcast, which was made from Seville, that the rebel offensive on the Jarama River front may be held up for two or three days, owing to the necessity of reconstructing the bridge over the river.

The bridge had been blown up by the loyalists in their hurried retreat.

In Madrid, a Defence Council broadcast claims that the rebel troops were repulsed at San Benito, in the Escorial sector.

The Government forces, says the broadcast, occupied in a counter-attack trenches nearly two miles from their original lines.—Reuter.

## Special Oath Agreed For The Coronation

Cape Town, To-day.

Great Britain, and all the Dominions have agreed on the form of Coronation Oath, which will be published shortly, declared the Minister of Defence, Mr. O. Pirow, in the Assembly during the debate on the Coronation Oath Bill yesterday.

Mr. Pirow stated that in addition to the Constitutional Oath the King would take an oath to satisfy the religious feelings of citizens in South Africa and other parts of the Commonwealth.

The Bill passed its third reading by an overwhelming majority.—Reuter.



Scenes of rioting in Madrid. Serious disturbances have lately been reported from the capital, which have led to the placing of armed guards on all streets near Government offices.

### King And Queen Move To Palace

London, To-day.

The King and Queen officially took up their residence at Buckingham Palace last night.

The royal removal was made with the least possible ceremony. Their Majesties will occupy the suite of apartments on the first floor formerly occupied by King George and Queen Mary.—Reuter.

### FOREIGN DEBTS OF GERMANY

#### Negotiations Lead To No Result

Berlin, To-day.

No result was arrived at during yesterday's standstill negotiations between Germany and her creditors.

Adhering to their demands for shortening of credit lines, the creditor Powers are basing their claims on the favourable state of German foreign trade last year.

Germany's reply is that she still has a shortage of foreign exchange, and it is thought that the negotiations will drag on till the end of the week.

Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, entertained the delegations at dinner last night.—Trans-Ocean.

The P. and O. s.s. "Soudan" left Singapore for this Port yesterday at noon and is due here on the 19th instant at about 4 p.m.

## PORTUGAL STILL OBDURATE

### CONTROL PLAN DIFFICULTY

#### ACCEPTANCE NOW NEARER

London, To-day.

An agreement has at last been reached by the non-intervention committee, although Portugal is again proving an awkward factor.

The agreement, announced in an official communique, provides for two main provisions.

Firstly, the ban on volunteers should come into operation at midnight on February 20.

Secondly, the control scheme providing for a naval and land cordon to prevent entry of arms and volunteers into Spain and to report breaches of the agreement to the London committee, should operate from midnight on March 6.

### PORTUGUESE OBJECTIONS

Portugal, while supporting the first provision, reserves her position regarding the second.

The meeting was notable for the co-operation of all the major Powers and acceptance of the agreement by the full meeting of the non-intervention committee is a foregone conclusion.

It is understood that the Portuguese delegate is still without instructions from his Government.—Reuter.

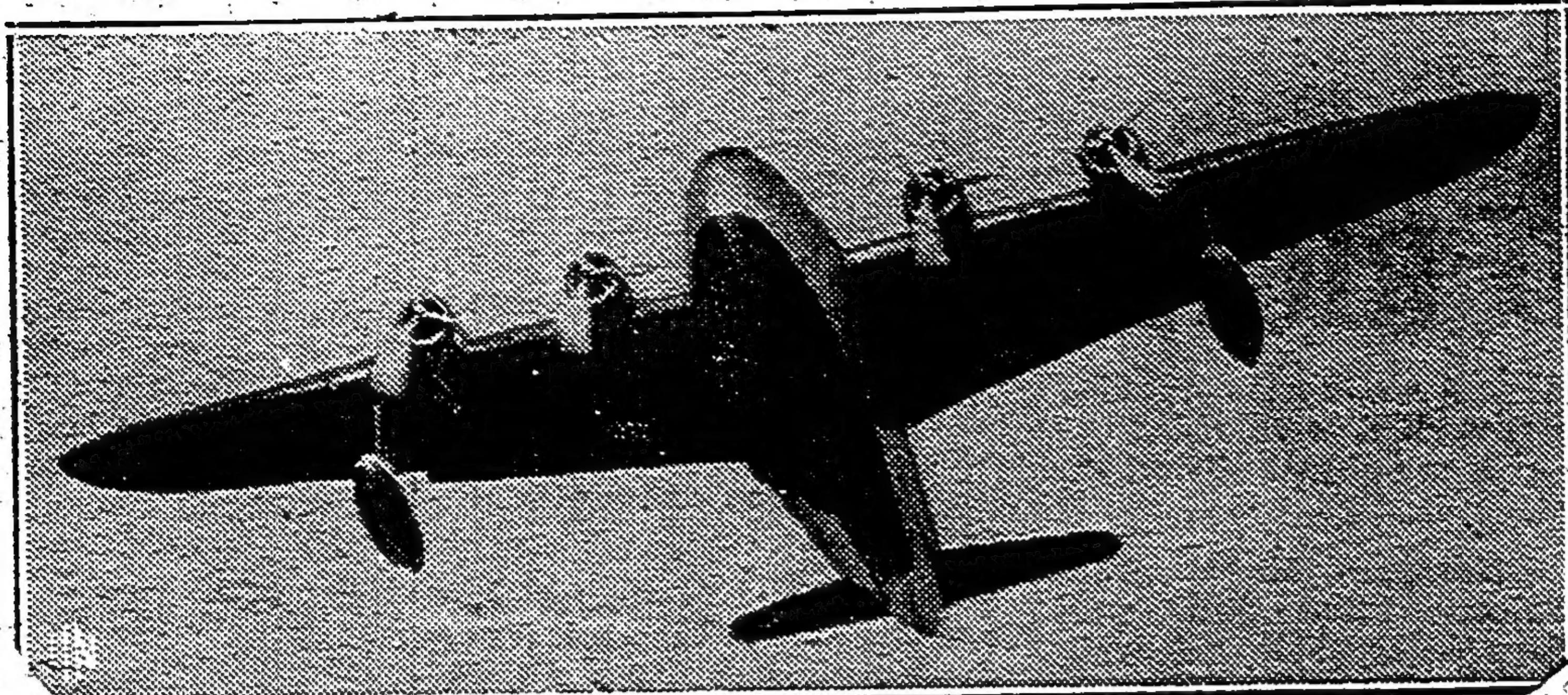
### LONG DISCUSSION

London, To-day.

The special sub-committee set up last week under the international committee for the application of the agreement regarding non-intervention in the Spanish civil war, met again late yesterday afternoon at the Foreign Office to consider the difficulties caused by the inability of the Portuguese Government to accept the proposed scheme for establishing international supervision of the land frontiers of Spain. The Committee was still in session after four and half hours.—British Wireless.



# TRANSATLANTIC AIR SERVICE SOON



This is the crack Imperial Airways flyingboat, Caledonia, which, with a speed of over 180 miles an hour, will probably inaugurate the new Atlantic service. She is similar in design to the Empire flyingboats.

## ANGLO-GERMAN NAVAL TALKS

### Prospects Of Early Agreement

London, To-day.  
Meeting took place at Foreign Office on Saturday between United Kingdom and German delegates engaged in conversation with object of extending by bilateral agreement principles of London Naval Treaty of 1936. No serious divergencies of opinion were found to exist in course of these discussions and steps were taken to prepare draft agreement. Similar conversations are proceeding with Soviet delegation with object of reaching Anglo-Russian bilateral agreements.—British Wireless Service.

## DOUBLE-TRACKING IN SIBERIA

### Railway Development Nearly Complete

Moscow, To-day.  
Conversion of the Trans-Siberian Railway from a single to double track will be completed in the Spring, states the construction manager, M. Frankel.

Operations are now proceeding on the last 400 miles from Karimska to Khabarovsk.

The new 1,300-mile track is of the greatest strategic and economic importance, doubling traffic in a region abounding in precious metals, minerals and oil.—Reuter.

## DICTATOR MASKS CONFISCATED

### Might Result In Disorder

Zurich, To-day.  
Mardi Gras carnival masks, depicting foreign statesmen such as Hitler, Mussolini, Blum and Laval, have been confiscated by the police throughout the Canton of Zurich.

It was announced that although the annual Mardi Gras festival was an affair of gaiety and good humour, the wearing of such masks might lead to disorders in view of the international political situation.—Trans-Ocean.

## JOINT BRITISH AND AMERICAN ENTERPRISE

Washington, To-day.

The trans-Atlantic air mail service between New York and Southampton will begin on November 1 this year.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED HERE YESTERDAY WHEN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE APPROVED THE ADMINISTRATION'S REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO SUBSIDISE THE SERVICE.

The subsidy will be at the rate of \$2 a mile and the postage rate between 21 cents and 25 cents an ounce.

At the beginning of the service only mails will be carried but later giant Clipper flying-boats, which have already been ordered, will carry sixty passengers.

TWICE WEEKLY  
The service will be operated twice a week by an American company and Imperial Airways, each flying one machine in each direction every week.

For six months in the year the northern route via Newfoundland will be used, while during the remainder of the year the planes will fly over the southern route via Bermuda and the Azores.

The transit time from New York to Southampton will be between 24 and 34 hours.—Reuter.

## C.E.C. BUSINESS SESSION

### Controversial Issues Expected

Nanking, To-day.  
The first full business session of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee was held this morning when about 200 members were present to hear the Party, governmental and military report.

The most important day of the session will most likely be tomorrow, when the second business session will receive resolutions, some of which are of a controversial nature.—Reuter.

Triplets—all girls—born to Mrs. Tysoe, of Wellingborough-road, Northampton, have earned for their parents the first King's Bounty award of the present reign.

## KUOMINTANG IN SESSION

### Preparatory Work Yesterday

Nanking, To-day.

At the third plenary session of the Kuomintang, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Dr. Tai Chi-tao, Mr. Wang Fat-chin, Marshal Feng Yuxiang, Mr. Yu Yu-jen, Mr. Sun Fo, Dr. Chow Lu and Mr. Chu Cheng were elected to the "Chairmen Group," while Mr. Yeh Chu-tsang was appointed Secretary-general.

It was decided that the Session should last from three to five days and five sub-committees (for party, political, economic, educational and military affairs) were formed from the Executive and Supervisory Committees to examine and approve proposals from throughout the country before they are put forward in plenary session.

All proposals must be presented to the sub-committees before noon of Wednesday.

The nine members of the "Chairmen Group" held their first conference during the morning, and the members of the five sub-committees were appointed.—Our Own Correspondent.

## MARTIAL LAW IN LATVIA

Riga, To-day.

Martial Law, proclaimed in Latvia three years ago by President and Premier Karlis, has been prolonged for another six months.

The decision was taken at a meeting of the Cabinet yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Vancouver yesterday and leaves on Saturday for the Orient.

## SHOCK FOR GREEN UNDERMINED!

Washington, To-day.

Mr. William Green, President of the American Federation of Labour, may be expelled from the United Mineworkers' Union.

This bombshell was exploded here yesterday when it was announced that the policy committee of the United Mineworkers' Union has passed a resolution directing the Union officials to expel Mr. Green for "treason and betrayal of Labour."

Mr. Green holds his position in the American Federation of Labour by virtue of his membership in the Mineworkers' Union, whose President is Mr. John L. Lewis.

If Mr. Green is expelled it will be necessary for him to resign the presidency of the American Federation of Labour or to have some other Union adopt him.—Reuter.

## "SHOCK BRIGADE" SHOCKS

### Prison Sentences

Danzig, To-day.

Eleven members of the former "shock brigade" of the Nazi Party in Danzig have been sentenced to prison terms varying from six to eighteen months.

The members had carried on political activities under the cloak of a sport organisation.—Trans-Ocean.

## KOVNO AMNESTY

Kovno, To-day.

The President yesterday decreed an amnesty for 49 political and criminal prisoners on the occasion of the celebration of Independence Day.

Among the liberated prisoners are eight citizens of Memel who were convicted during the mass trial two years ago.—Trans-Ocean.

## FOUND NOT GUILTY

The trial of Wong Yip, unemployed tea-house fiddler, on charges of uttering forged Hong Kong Government one-dollar notes and alternatively, of being in possession of same, was concluded before the Acting Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice J. J. Haydon at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The jury consisting of W. F. Simmons (Foreman), R. S. Capell, W. L. L. Barker, W. Macfarlane, J. G. Jones, B. Pasco and J. D. Kinnaird found accused not guilty and he was accordingly discharged.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution.

## PRISONER'S DEATH

A jury composed of Messrs. Howell, C. M. Sequeira and M. A. Prata returned a verdict of "Death from natural causes" at an inquest to-day on Hui Kwong, a prisoner. Mr. K. Keen was the coroner. Dr. G. I. Shaw said deceased, on admission, was found to be suffering from tuberculosis. On January 20 he was taken to Stanley, but he was brought to the Victoria Gaol Hospital on February 12 and died the same day.

Cheung So fell from a height while watching the Shanghai football game at Sookimpoo yesterday and was badly injured.



# CAN ROTARY AVERT WAR?

Malaya's Governor On Power Of Movement

## DECISION BETWEEN RIGHT AND RIGHT

Can Rotary prevent war? Can the great world-wide organisation of fellowship, to which over sixty new clubs were added last year, prevent civilisation from slipping over the abyss? What can Rotarians do in the cause of peace?

The views of a prominent Malayan Rotarian, Mr. W. Allan Eley, Governor of the 80th District of Rotary International, were given to the Singapore club and he endeavoured to show that, while the Rotary spirit is spreading, too much importance should not be attached to the power of the movement to influence international decisions in the interests of Peace.

"I say I am proud of the Singapore Club, and entirely apart from its Rotarian activities, I unhesitatingly affirm that it is an institution of which Singapore may well be proud, for it counts as an uplifting and educational force in the life of the town. Its uniqueness in the cosmopolitan character of its membership is a subject for comment throughout the Rotary world, and if the spirit of fellowship displayed within its borders were the prevailing spirit in the deliberations of international bodies and even the meetings of the League of Nations, gone would be half our international troubles and problems."

### BODY POLITIC

And now let us look a little farther ahead to the body politic. The Rotary Movement is growing in numbers and in strength. Rotarian Sydney recently regaled us with details of the large number of Clubs which had been inaugurated within the past year, with a corresponding influx of new members. The latest report from Rotary International Headquarters informs us of the formation of 62 new Clubs last year.

Surely we may accept this as a sign that men are beginning to realise that if we are to be saved from a cataclysm greater than that of the last war the Rotary organisation and with it the Rotary ideal must be fostered and strengthened. What then is the Rotary ideal?

I am sometimes led to wonder whether the love of country is not the strongest force in the world today, and that zeal for one's country is the predominant factor in our disputes. How easy we find it to recognise the good in the individual, no matter what his nationality, and how correspondingly difficult to recognise and appreciate a similar collective virtue.

It would ill become me to touch on controversial subjects in this survey, but we are none of us ignorant of the fact that the last War left us a heritage of nastiness. Our statesmen failed to realise that a war that had lasted four years needed a similar period of deliberation for the adjustment of territories and boundaries that had been swept aside as the result of the conflict.

### JUSTICE FOR MINORITIES

They overlooked the fact that while in general we rule by majority we must always be just to the minorities. The old axiom that

The speech of Mr. L. W. Amps at last Tuesday's meeting of the Hong Kong Rotary Club gives special interest to this expression of opinion from Malaya.

we cannot rule by force is just as true to-day as it ever was. Where we have minorities ruling, the same principle applies; the rule must be just and generous.

Whether a country is ruled by a President, a Monarch or a Dictator, not one of them can govern without the consent of the governed. You will tell me that many of the European nations have conscript navies and armies. Yes, but you cannot for long make your soldiers and sailors fight unless they are willing to fight.

### ROTARY'S AIM

I referred just now to the love of country being the dominating force in the world to-day and it is here that I would sound a warning note that we do not claim too much for Rotary. We sit down in this Club and in 4,000 similar Clubs in terms of the closest harmony but does anyone really believe that if, for example, war broke out between Germany and England or France and Germany that British Rotarians would refuse to take up arms against German Rotarians that Rotarians in France would all become pacifists and declare themselves combatants?

### EXTREME PENALTY

Such an attitude even now would in some countries where Rotary flourishes lead to the banishment, perhaps the death, of Rotarians who expressed it. J. L. Garvin, the "Observer" in referring to the then constitutional crisis in England has recently said this, "In public and private affairs, true tragedy, as a German thinker said in immortal words, is not the conflict between right and wrong, but the conflict between right and right."

It is divided allegiance that shakes the soul, divided allegiance between two kinds of duty. The difficulty of judging between them. The doubt about what the very in-

wardness of truth to one's own deepest conviction demands with regard to them. We may well apply this to the thought I am trying to convey.

Do any one of us believe it is wrong to fight for one's country? Do any one of us believe that Rotary principles are wrong? Herein must come the decision between right and right and past history proves that men throw aside their religion, their lofty principles, their convictions, when the call to national assistance comes with compelling force.

If such a direful event as I have visualised were to happen I, for example, would shoot down dear old Sohaub (the president of the Club) on sight because I know that he would pop me off if he got first chance. Or if we are both too old to fight we would be in some more sheltered department which aided the work of destruction of our hated enemies. Hated enemies, I said.

It is unthinkable that I could have any deadly quarrel with our President, but our respective Governments would decree that we become sworn enemies. Let no one think I am decrying or belittling the Rotary movement when I make these statements.

It is that I feel just now that we are in danger of attaching too much importance to the power of Rotary to influence national decisions in the interests of Peace.

This armament race what does it all mean? We stand aghast when we think of ten millions killed and more millions maimed in the last war but we feverishly prepare for twenty millions killed in the next.

### WHAT IS CIVILISATION?

And our boasted civilisation, what of it? The evolution of man from the tiniest atom, the gradual and steady growth, the development from horrid ugliness into graceful beauty, of stunted bodies and limbs into stately forms.

Ages of progress in all that makes for a nobler and higher form of humanity—for what? For the creation of the deadliest weapons for killing one another, for the ghastliness of gases to destroy men's lungs if they are fortunate enough to escape instant death.

Civilisation allied to Christianity! Of what value is the combination? Were they not Christian nations that were at war with each other a few years since? Were not the Germans praying "God give us victory?" Were not devout Frenchmen and Italians soliciting the Almighty, "God give us victory?" Were not prayers being offered in thousands of English homes and churches "God give us victory?" Did not many an American woman's heart utter the cry, "God give us victory?"

### NEED ONE DESPAIR?

In a wonderful play which had a long run in London it depicted certain phases of Russian life after the Revolution—one of the principal characters makes use of this expression, "Let's pray to God. He will hear us, for God is Russian." Isn't that a conception of God? our defender, our help, our shield, our guide, but let Him be the very Devil to the other fellow who stands in our path. And so it all sounds as though a despair of religion, of civilisation of Rotary. But do I?

Rather do I believe that in the end sanity will prevail, that though we may need many sharp lessons we will eventually forsake the path of progress. Provided we change our conception of the Almighty and think of him as the Father of mankind scrapping that nauseating expression "God is on our side" there is yet hope for religion as an impelling power, whether it be through Christianity, the Muslim religion or any other.

In Rotary I have strong and abundant and abiding faith. Surely the spirit of Rotary is growing. Referring to what he thought constituted the qualities required in a leader, he said, "To my mind he must possess three great qualities, personality, sympathy, and, above all, idealism."

### SYMPATHY

I do not think I need speak to you about personality; you will know what I mean by that. Of sympathy I will just say this: its keynote is personal contact and understanding.

The third quality of the leader I have mentioned is idealism. Nobody can lead unless he has the gift of vision and the desire in his soul to leave things in the world a little better than he found them.

If the youth of the Empire is to grow up healthy and happy "Service must be our watchword." That might have been the utterance of a Rotarian—actually it is a quotation from a speech by the present King of England.

Finally, the aims and objects of Rotary are not new, they were born long before Rotary came into being, but the ideal we must stress is that of Fellowship, for a non-sectarian body such as Rotary is has no clear-cut distinctions between beliefs, dogmas and creeds, it is an organisation striving for a better understanding of the men of all nations.



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# SPY SCARE IN AMERICA

Ex-Lieutenant Farnsworth Appears In Court

## DEALINGS WITH JAPANESE STAFF OFFICERS

Washington, To-day.

Another spy scare is sweeping the United States as a result of the appearance before the Federal Court yesterday on charges of espionage of John S. Farnsworth, a former Lieutenant-Commander in the United States Navy.

Farnsworth was arrested in July last year after months of veiled police activity on a charge of selling naval secrets to Japan.

The former naval officer, who was discharged from Service nine years ago for "conduct prejudicial to the Navy," was alleged to have delivered to a Japanese naval officer a book entitled "The Service of Information and Secrecy of the United States Navy—Confidential Publication."

Yesterday Farnsworth declared that he would not offer any defence and threw himself on the mercy of the Court.

### TWO JAPANESE OFFICERS

The indictment identified two Japanese naval officers, Commander Itimiyu and Lieut-Commander Yamaki, as conspirators in the case.

Neither, however, was indicted on account of diplomatic immunity. Formerly stationed at the Japanese Embassy in Washington, the officers are now believed to be in Japan.

### FIFTY WITNESSES

Over fifty United States naval officers have arrived in Washington from various stations to appear as witnesses for the prosecution.

At the time of his arrest last year, Farnsworth said he had talked with the representative of "some Oriental Government" about the possibility of his going abroad to organise an aviation corps.

He did not know, however, whether the man was Japanese or Chinese.

He denied that he knew anything about confidential papers but admitted that some papers relating to naval matters had been stolen from his house.—Reuter.

### MOTORING OFFENCES

Mrs. J. M. Allen, of No. 11 Fehr Villas, was summoned before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning, for failing to keep to the left when turning into Pedder Street on February 4 and with not having an appropriate driver's licence.

The defendant wrote pleading guilt and was cautioned on the first charge and fined \$5 on the other.

### HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER

Lui Tak, aged 30, was admitted to the G. C. H. yesterday suffering from injuries received when he was knocked down in Queen's Road Central by a motor car which failed to stop.

### New President Of Finland

Helsingfors, To-day.

The new President of Finland and successor to M. Pehr Svinhufvud is the Premier, M. Kyosti Kallio.

M. Kallio was elected by 177 out of a possible 300 votes at the second ballot in the presidential election yesterday.

Originally a farmer, the new President, who is 64 years old, belongs to the Agrarian Party. He is chiefly famous in Finland for his agrarian reform law of 1918.—Trans-Ocean.

### 'FAKED ACCIDENT' SWINDLES

Insurance Companies' Huge Losses

American insurance companies have been fleeced of over \$25,000,000 by fake accident victims during 1935. They are taking steps to see that the figure is substantially reduced this year.

Well-organised gangs carry out the work, and concentrate on cities where juries are known to be sympathetic towards people who have apparently suffered accidents.

Many insurance companies, becoming aware of the "soft spots," have ceased issuing insurance there.

Pittsburg houses the headquarters of one of the biggest gangs of fakers. Police who raided the place found carefully-kept records and files.

Torture Chamber They also found a torture chamber, known to the members of the gang as the "house of pain."

There, before the accidents of which they were to be victims, the gang had to hit each other with bare fists and bags filled with oranges—to create black and blue marks.

Perforated strips of tin, resembling nutmeg graters, were used to make scratches and abrasions.

Crooked Doctors Knives and razor blades were other implements used by the gang to inflict injuries on each other.

The group had in their employment crooked doctors, lawyers, and automobile owners.

An insured motorist, brakes screaming, would suddenly pull his car into the curb. Just behind him, the "victim" would be found in the street, where he had just thrown himself with ready-made injuries.

Witnesses would immediately be on the spot, ready to testify that the car had run over the injured man. This sort of swindle rarely failed.



Princess Juliana and her husband, Prince Bernhard, who are now in Vienna.

## BAN ON BRITISH "RED" LITERATURE

### STARTLING ACTION IN STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

A ban on Communist books printed by well-known British publishing houses is announced in the latest issue of the Straits Settlements "Government Gazette," issued in Singapore.

It states that, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Section Four of the Seditious Publications Ordinance, the Governor-in-Council prohibits the importation or bringing into the Colony of a number of publications in English, French and Chinese.

Included in the list given in the Gazette are all Communist publications of the Left Book Club, London, the Phoenix Book Company, Ltd., and Messrs. Lawrence and Wishart, while the importation of the famous Paris Communist newspaper, "L'Humanite" is also forbidden.

The Left Book Club was formed a year or two ago to publish works on Socialism and politics of the extreme Left and it now claims a membership of over 28,000.

For a subscription of half-a-crown monthly a member receives the "choice of the month," usually a book costing far more than the subscription.

Recent Choices Among recent choices of the club have been the following:—

"Walls Have Mouths"  
"Under the Axe of Fascism"  
"The Theory and Practice of Socialism" (By John Strachey)  
Spain in Revolt"

Banned List The banned publications cited in the Gazette are as follows:—

Gin Guo Sh. Ban (Au Secour de la Patrie) published in Paris, France; and issued in Chinese.

Humanite, published in Paris, France, and issued in French.

Cyan Min (L'Opinion), published in Paris, France, and issued in Chinese.

The Chinese Vanguard, published in New York, United States of America, and issued in Chinese.

The International Press Correspondence, published in London, and issued in English.

"Voice Of China"

The Eye, published in London, and issued in English.

Student Voice, published in Paris, France, and issued in all languages.

The Communist International, published in New York, United States of America, and issued in all languages.

The Voice of China, published in Shanghai, China and issued in English.

All Communist publications emanating from the Left Book Club, London, England.

All Communist publications emanating from the Phoenix Book Co., Ltd., London, England.

All Communist publications emanating from Messrs. Lawrence and Wishart, Ltd., London, England.

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## MARRIAGE

**DANBY-BLACK.**—On February 15th at St. John's Cathedral by the Rev. H. W. Baines, Ronald William Denison, only son of Mr. & Mrs. James Denison Danby, to Frances Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. & Mrs. D. E. Black of Calgary, Canada.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mrs. A. H. Abbas and children tender their grateful thanks to all who were present at the funeral and also those who sent floral tribute.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1937.

## LIBERAL FOREIGN POLICY

There was a keen if one-sided debate on foreign policy at the recent meeting of the Liberal Council. The cause of the trouble was a pamphlet recently issued with the title "Peace or War?" and described (a trifle inaccurately as it now appears) as "by the Liberal party." In fact, the statements made in the pamphlet had not, for some reason, been submitted to the Council at all, and though it contained nothing that seemed likely to rouse discussion in the Liberal ranks, a resolution in the name of the Executive endorsing its policy was opposed by Lord Lothian and a few followers.

Lord Lothian is one of those who believe that the chief aim of the League of Nations should be universality and its chief weapon that of peaceful persuasion. It was not easy to tell from his speech whether he would now oppose all sanctions against an aggressor, but he went far enough to disagree with the Liberal statement on several points. In particular he thought that an attempt by the British Government to organise the remaining members of the League against possible aggression would be directed against Germany and Italy and would only be a return to a system of alliances.

This view hardly does justice either to the Liberal statement or, for that matter, to the League Covenant, which was designed to supplant alliances and which offers the same guarantees to any Power willing to join the League. There also seemed to be a slight confusion in speeches made on both sides on one point.

At present there is no obligation in the Covenant to take military action against an aggressor but only economic ac-

tion; military sanctions are left to the recommendation of the League Council. Nor did the Liberal statement go much farther in saying that members should be invited to state what military, naval, or air force, if any, they are prepared to contribute for the maintenance of the public law in specific areas.

This is not so clear as it might be, but it certainly does not mean that Britain would have automatic military obligations against an aggressor in any part of the world.

## Housing Regulations

The Ministry of Health has published its fifth half-yearly return of the progress of housing in England and Wales, which shows that in the last year a record number of houses—nearly 340,000—has been built. It is obvious to everybody that the boom in the building trade, which depends largely upon the construction of new houses, is unabated and probably at its peak. But the fact that new houses are being built is not an automatic indication that the problem of the slums is being solved; the proportion of houses built by private enterprise, which are, as a rule, rated beyond the means of slum-dwellers, is much larger than those built by local authorities; in fact it is private enterprise which has been responsible for the recent building boom.

This year is to see the beginning of a fresh effort to end overcrowding. The standards laid down in the Housing Act of 1935 are conservative—two or more persons of opposite sex over ten years old, unless they are husband and wife, are not to sleep in the same room, and there is a further standard based on the number and area of the rooms in a house which limits the number allowed to sleep there. Children of less than one year are not counted, and from one to ten years count as half an individual.

It will be seen that the imposition of these standards will not end crowded living conditions, and the landlord is liable to a fine only if he has allowed the overcrowding to occur after the standards have come into effect—that is to say, after January 1 in some districts and after July 1 for others (including most of the worst areas). Further, the landlord cannot be convicted unless the authorities can offer alternative accommodation.

Nevertheless in spite of all these half-hearted reservations 1937 will mark another step in the slow advance towards securing decent living conditions for the whole of the population of Great Britain.

## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

Paradox: "Europe has had few days of peace—if any—since peace was officially declared."—*Salvador de Madariaga.*

Moderate: "For the good of the country it is important that the Republican Party be strong, but I do not want to see it get too strong."—*Mr. Farley.*

Order, Please: "I shall shoot the first one who pulls a gun."—*Arturo Mas, President of the Cuban Senate.*



# Portrait Of A Rebel Leader

THE eyes of the world are focused on Francisco Franco, the de-bonair generalissimo of the Spanish revolutionary forces. And the world is asking questions: What manner of soldier is Franco? How did he rise to power? There is still another question—the most important of all—as to whether Franco is powerful enough to dominate the diverse elements in the revolutionary party.

This last question cannot yet be answered definitely. But from his personality, his background and his declarations of policy one may, perhaps, glean some idea of where this man and his movement are likely to end.

To meet Franco for the first time is to get a shock. One expects to see a man with the dynamic personality of a Mussolini, the hardness of the usual professional soldier. Instead, from behind the desk in a modest office, arises a short, almost effeminate looking man. His hair is dark above his black eyes. His shirt is open at the neck, his tunic half unbuttoned. Everything about him is in sharp contrast to the stiff, spruce efficiency of the blue-sashed staff officers outside.

The second impression, following quickly on the first, is of an effervescent heartedness. The world may worry about Franco, but the generalissimo takes everything in his stride. He comes perhaps as close as any one could to a continued state of cheerfulness. His quick smile, his light chuckle, indicate that this is a natural airiness, not an enforced moral discipline.

As he talks, moving his hands rapidly to express himself better, shifting easily from time to time against the back of his chair, one gets still another impression. His mind works with lightning precision on almost any subject. He is calm, assured, apparently frank. Above all, he is not didactic, as are so many dictators and would-be dictators.

There is nothing of the play-actor about him. Yet he is so accustomed to authority that it sits lightly on him.

Now only 44 years old, General Franco already has a military career of thirty years behind him. He was a cadet at 14. At 23 he was cutting his military teeth in the grim mountains of Africa, fighting against the savage Moorish tribes which he now leads. His character was shaped in the midst of an unrelenting struggle, where human life was cheap, physical courage was taken for granted and brutality that would shock the average civilian was the order of the day.

Francisco Franco was born in Dec. 8, 1892, at Ferrol, which lies on a beautiful harbour of Galicia, just north of Portugal, where a part of the Great Armada lay before it sailed for England. Ferrol's tranquil sloping hills might have been expected to shape a youngster to peaceful ends. And Franco's father, a comfortably situated member of the middle class, sought to buttress the influence of such surroundings by urging the boy to become an artist or an architect.

But the seed of soldiery was deeply imbedded in young Francisco's heart. He broke through all

obstacles, and entered the National Military Academy at Toledo. A brilliant student; he stood high in his technical work; his persistence and coolness quickly won the admiration of his officers. Graduated from the academy, Franco was assigned to a command with the African regulars at Tetuan, capital of Spanish Morocco.

His active service began almost immediately. Skirmishes, shots in the dark, raiding parties armed with knives, mutilation, death—these were common places for the young Spanish officers in the Moroccan army. Franco thrived on them. He was commandant for a time at Larache, a post which other officers were loath to accept because of its dangers. Once, in a fierce battle against the Moors at Blutz, he was wounded.

During this period of military incubation, Franco was learning to know the Moors perhaps better than any of his fellow-Spaniards. The Moors love a brave man, and this young officer was soon talked about wherever Moors got together. The fact that he now is the only Spanish officer to whom Moorish

chieftains will freely give men for a foreign war grew out of these beginnings. Then came the Rif war, when the combined French and Spanish Armies after years of bitter fighting crushed Abd-el-Krim and his tribesmen, bringing peace to Morocco in 1926. In that war Franco helped to organize the first company of the now famed Spanish Foreign Legion, and, with the death in action of his superior officer, assumed command of the company.

So outstanding was Franco's conduct that King Alfonso sent him a medal, together with a message, "Serve me always." That king of recognition does something to a young officer's heart that no subsequent happenings ever completely erase. Franco is to-day a monarchist, though he believes that restoration of the monarchy is impractical at this time.

After the monarchy collapsed, some of the Spanish Republicans wanted Franco cashiered. Manuel Azana, then Minister of War, refused. "Franco is above all a soldier," he said. "We can count on his integrity."

Azana's mistake was realized after the Spanish Rightists had won the 1933 elections. Gil Robles, reactionary party leader, became War Minister and brought Franco in as chief of staff. Franco used the position to prepare the army for eventual revolt.

When the Popular Front won the elections in February of this year, Franco was sent to the supposed oblivion of a command in the Canary Islands. But the seeds of revolt had been sown. It was only a question of when they would flower.

In July, Calvo Sotelo, Rightist leader, was murdered in Madrid. Franco took the same day to rejoin the modern Moroccan army he had done so much to build. Striking swiftly, he consolidated the Rebel

cause in Morocco, and began moving his troops to the Spanish mainland, to support the lagging military movement in the south.

The writer saw Franco in Seville the day he arrived from Morocco to take personal command of the southern campaign. Although his troops in many places were cut off from one another, he was cool and confident and chatted freely for forty minutes about the "new and modern Spain" he hoped to bring into being, about the "failure" of the Spanish Liberals and Leftists to bring that Spain into existence—not at all about himself.

Thereafter for many weeks, Franco let others carry on the verbal war for the Rebels, preferring to win leadership by action rather than words. Gaunt General Queipo de Llano charmed the Sevillians on the radio; anxious General Mola in the north issued frequent statements; but when this period was over, General Franco had many key points of Spain in his grasp or at his mercy. He was then made, without asking for it, "chief of the new Spanish State."

In considering Franco's ideas and what he hopes to accomplish,

one must remember that he is, in his way, an unusual type of Spaniard. He links all the old prejudices of the upper class with the progressive spirit of a man who has advanced rapidly in life, who has risen to high position younger than most, and who is not bound by tradition.

His association with the powerful military clique before the republic, his religious training and his association with men of money and position, incline him to look upon any Liberal movement of the other classes with antipathy and alarm. Individually, he likes the petit bourgeoisie and the peasants. Collectively, he tends to misunderstand and fear their motives.

"My chief objection to the republican government has been that it has sought to establish Marxist ideas, destroy the church, and promise a better living for the people without taking steps to assure it," he told me. "I want to keep Spain from falling into the hands of one class. I want to erase the abuses of centuries by giving all classes an equal opportunity."

In his eagerness to further his programme, Franco has demonstrated his willingness to use any tools—foreign or domestic—and to make any pledges that the needs of the moment dictated. To him the end justifies the means, and he has declared himself a liberal, a Fascist, or an advocate of strict military dictatorship as expediency dictated. He sees no inconsistency in killing peasants for their own good, or in eliminating opposition through murders masked as military executions.

It must be apparent to any one who visits Franco's headquarters, wherever they may be at the moment, that he is fighting atop a volcano. Three groups in his command are wrestling for control of the movement. On his staff, and in daily contact with him, are members of the old aristocracy, the huge landowners. They are not offering their blood on the field of battle for nothing. They are holding a bill that they intend to deliver to him later. It reads, "We intend to keep our land."

A second group is made up of the professional army officers. They have borne the brunt of the heavy fighting. They too expect to rule Spain if the battle is won. And there are the phalanxists, or Fascists. The country would rebel were Franco to keep the Moors and foreign mercenaries in Spain for overlong. Yet, when he takes them out, the phalanxists will outnumber the military three to one—and their plans are diametrically opposed to those of the landowners and army officers.

They want a corporative State, and would carry out Franco's own ideas of dividing up the land and subjecting the church. There are already strong indications that the generalissimo is inclined to bow to the desires of these upper middle class men for that sort of armed mob rule that characterized Italy in the early days of Mussolini. But Franco fears that in the end they may be nearly as extreme as he holds the Spanish Leftists to have been. They have already declared against capitalism in the accepted form.

To put it briefly, Franco is in the difficult position of a bareback rider who mounts three untrained horses each one of which wants to run away. By using an iron hand, he may be able to control and make a team of them—but it will take skill to compromise their desires.

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Some of Franco's Moors who have played an important part in the fighting round Madrid.



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Diplomatic conversations for the preparation of a five-power conference, which will attempt to conclude a new Western Pact, are in full swing.

So announced Viscount Cranborne Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House last night.

### RUMOURS DENIED

Rumours that the German Government had withdrawn its offer of March last year in connexion with the proposed pact were denied by Lord Cranborne.

The rumours had no basis in fact he stated in answer to a question from a Labour member.

The Under-Secretary was then reminded that Germany had not as yet answered the questionnaire submitted by Britain last May.

Viscount Cranborne answered that the Reich Government had always declared that the reason was that they were still uninformed regarding the British conception of the future of the League of Nations.

### NO CONFIRMATION

Asked about the alleged participation of Italian troops in the capture of Malaga, Lord Cranborne said that the British Government had had no communication confirming the report.

The colonial question was next discussed.

raised, when in answer to a question, Lord Cranborne said that Britain had no intention of permitting any territories under the protection of Britain to pass into the possession of other Powers.—Trans-Ocean.

### CLEAR ISSUE

Asked in the Commons whether to dispel ill-founded German expectancy, he would state in unmistakable terms that the British Government could not contemplate the cession to Nazi Germany of any territory whatsoever under British political control, Lord Cranborne replied: "As has been previously stated His Majesty's Government have not considered and are not considering such a transfer."

### NO NEGOTIATIONS

Another question on press reports of the German claim to Colonies, gave Lord Cranborne the opportunity to correct a misapprehension regarding the conversation last week between Lord Halifax and the German Ambassador.

He pointed out that the Lord Privy Seal had received Herr Von Ribbentrop in the absence of Mr. Eden in the ordinary course of diplomatic routine and the exchange of views normal on such occasions was in no sense a negotiation.—British Wireless.



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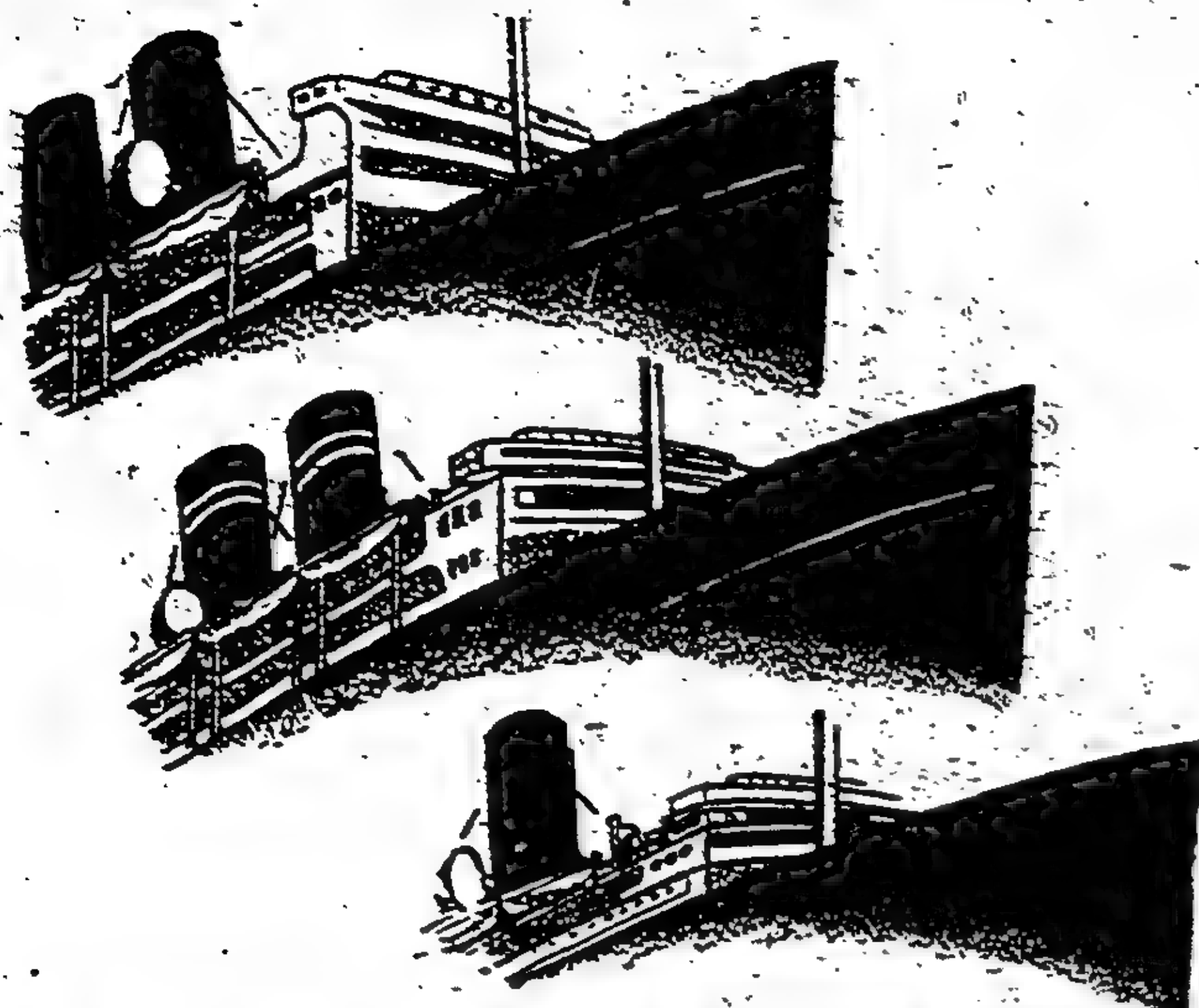
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### INWARD MAILS

Calcutta and Straits	Santhia	February 16
Straits	Toba	February 16
Straits and Europe via Suez (letters Naidara and Papers) London, 21st January and London Parcels—London date, 14th January.		February 17
Java	Tjibadak	February 17
Australia and Manila	Atsuta Maru	February 18
Straits	Soudan	February 18
Japan and Shanghai	Corfu	February 19
Saigon	Felix Roussel	February 19
Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	February 19
Japan	Titan	February 20
Straits	Agapenor	February 22
Shanghai	Agamemnon	February 23
Straits	Cremer	February 23
Shanghai	Eridan	February 23
Japan	La Plata Maru	February 23
Straits	Yasukuni Maru	February 23
Japan	Hakodate Maru	February 25
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang	February 25
Amoy	Tilawa	February 25
Straits	Tottori Maru	February 25

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For	Per	Date and Time.
<b>Tuesday</b>		
Letters for Guam, Honolulu and Tjinegara		Tues., Feb. 16.
U.S.A., by "Pan-American Airways Service"	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
(Due San Francisco, 23rd Feb.)	Reg.,	Feb. 15, 5 p.m.
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	C.N.A.C. plane	Feb. 16, 8.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Canton and Districts	Sheungwan P.O.	Tues., Feb. 16.
Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and North China (via Shanghai)	Reg.,	Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Kowloon P.O.	Letters,	Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
Reg.,	G.P.O.	Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Letters,		Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fukukien Maru	Wed., Feb. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Foochow via Swatow	Nanchang	Wed., Feb. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Japan	Kutsang	Wed., Feb. 17, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Feb. 17, 3.30 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>		
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe via Kutsang"		Thurs., Feb. 18, 10.30 a.m.
Siberia		
Swatow	Sandviken	Thurs., Feb. 18, 1.30 p.m.
<b>Friday</b>		
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe via Felix Roussel"		Fri., Feb. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Siberia		
Letters for "Imperial Airways Direct R.M.A. Dorado Service"		Fri., Feb. 19
(Due London, 1st. March).	Reg.,	Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
Letter for "Australia by Imperial R.M.A. Dorado Airways Service"	Letters,	Feb. 19, 8.30 a.m.
(Due Darwin, 23rd. February).	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Fri., Feb. 19
	Reg.,	Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
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HEIAN MARU	Monday,	15th Mar.

NEW YORK via Panama

NAGARA MARU	Thursday,	18th Feb.
NOJIMA MARU	Wednesday,	10th Mar.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

RAKUYO MARU		11th March
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LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP &amp; ROTTERDAM

HARUNA MARU	Saturday	27th Feb.
KATORI MARU	Saturday	13th Mar.
KASHIMA MARU	Saturday	27th Feb.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, and Marseilles.

LYONS MARU	Thursday,	11th Mar.
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SYDNEY &amp; MELBOURNE via Manila &amp; Ports

KAMO MARU	Saturday,	27th Feb.
ATSUTA MARU	Saturday,	27th Mar.

BOMBAY

ANYO MARU		11th Mar.
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang &amp; Rangoon

HAKODATE MARU	Friday,	26th Feb.
LISBON MARU		7th Mar.

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RIO-DE-JANEIRO, SANTOS MONTEVIDEO & BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Colombo, Durham and Cape Town.	La-Plata Maru	Tues.,	23rd Feb.
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	Buenos Aires Maru	Thurs.,	18th Mar.
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MOMBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAR ES SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, ALGOA BAY, CAPE TOWN & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Singapore & Colombo	Arizona Maru	Mon.,	1st Mar.
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	Arabia Maru	Mon.,	5th Apr.
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BOMBAY & KARACHI via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.	Koshin Maru	Sat.,	20th Feb.
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	Buyo Maru	Sun.,	4th Mar.
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Rangoon.	Argon Maru	Sat.,	20th Feb.
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	Havana Maru	Thurs.,	4th Mar.
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JAPAN via Takao and Keelung.	Bandoeng Maru	Mon.,	15th Mar.
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JAPAN PORTS via Dairen.	Himalaya Maru	Tues.,	23rd Feb.
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	Arabia Maru	Fri.,	26th Feb.
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KEELUNG via Swatow and Amoy.	Canton Maru	Sun.,	21st Feb.
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	Hong Kong Maru	Sun.,	28th Feb.
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TAKAO via Swatow and Amoy.	Fukuken Maru	Wed.,	17th Feb.
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## LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and  
enquiries in local share quotations this  
morning:

BANKS	
Hong Kong Bank Cum Div. s.	
Hong Kong (Lon. Reg.) X. Div. s.	
Bank of East Asia \$85 b.	
INSURANCES	
Union Ins. \$620 -sa.	
SHIPPING	
Douglases \$32 b.	
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.	
Providents (Old) \$1% s., \$1.72 1/2 -	
1% sa.	
MINING	
Ranbs \$13 1/4 sa.	
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.	
H. and S. Hotels \$5 1/4 s.	
H. K. Lands \$36 1/4 sa.	
Humphreys \$9 1/2 s.	
H. K. Realities \$470 b.	
PUBLIC UTILITIES	
H. K. Tramways \$13 1/2 b., \$13 1/2 sa.	
Peak Trams (Old) \$4 b.	
China Lights (Old) \$13.70 b., \$13.85	
sa.	
H. K. Electrics \$56 b., \$56 sa.	
Telephones (Old) \$30 sa.	
INDUSTRIALS	
Cements \$10.85 b.	
STORES, & C.	
Dairy Farms \$23.10 s., \$23 sa.	
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Cottons Sh. \$16.10 b.	
Shanghai Cottons (Old) Sh. \$98 b.	
Shanghai Cottons (New) Sh. \$70 1/2 b.	
MISCELLANEOUS	
Constructions (New) 40 cts. b.	
Vibro Piling \$5 1/2 b.	
Wallace Harpers \$4 s.	

	in Pesos	Currency
	Opening	Sales
	10 a.m.	Local
Antamoks	1.55	
Atoks	.48	
Baguio Gold	.30 1/2	
Balatoe Mining	.14 1/4	
Benguet Consol.	.14	
Benguet Explor.	.19 1/2	
Big Wedge	.34	
Coco Grove	.79	
Consolidated Mines	.05 1/4	.08 1/2
Demonstrations	.93	1.53
E. Mindanao	.37 1/2	.62
Gumaus G'field	.32 1/2	
Ipo Gold	.32 1/2 X. Div.	
I. X. L.	1.50	
Itogons	1.65	
Masbate Consol.	.47	
Min. Resources	.43 1/2	
Northern Mining	.15 1/2	
Paracale Gumaus	.73	
Salacot Mining	.08 1/2	
San Mauricio	3.15	
Soyoc Consol.	.49	
United Paracales	1.35	

## LOCAL DOLLAR

### Silver Prices Unchanged

The local dollar is steady, open-  
ing on demand this morning at 1/2-  
27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20  
1/8 and "forward" at 20 1/8.

The London on New York cross-  
rate was quoted at \$-U.S. \$4.89 1/2  
while the New York on London  
cross-rate was quoted at \$-  
U.S. \$4.89-9/16.

## BIG STUDEBAKER PROFITS

### Remarkable Return For 1936

Studebaker Corporation will show  
a 1936 net profit from operations,  
before year-end adjustments, in ex-  
cess of \$1,750,000 after all charges  
including depreciation, interest and  
normal federal income taxes, ac-  
cording to the Wall Street Journal.  
This will equal better than 80 cents  
a share on 2,159,717 shares of capital  
stock outstanding.

From March 10, 1935, when the  
present company started operations,  
to December 31, 1935, Studebaker  
lost \$1,975,622.

Present indications are that the  
company will gain from the year-  
end adjustments, possibly enough to  
bring its year's net close to \$2,000,-  
000. The year's production is like-  
ly to hit 91,000 units.

Despite more cash in inventories  
and rising receivables, Studebaker  
will finish the year with about  
\$2,000,000 more cash and some  
\$4,000,000 more working capital  
than a year ago.

## EXPLOITATION OF ABYSSINIA

### COCOA PLANTING

Milan, To-day.

The growing of cocoa is the lat-  
est Italian proposal for the econ-  
omic development of Ethiopia.

The proposal has been submitted  
to the Ministry of Colonies by a  
syndicate of chocolate manufac-  
turers, who say that the Lake Kaffa  
region and part of the plateau slop-  
ing down to the Sudan are climati-  
cally suited for cultivation of cocoa.

The syndicate draws attention to  
the successful cultivation of cocoa  
by the British on the Gold Coast  
and stresses the importance of the  
Italian chocolate industry becoming  
independent of foreign raw ma-  
terials as soon as possible. Trans-  
Ocean.

## SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., re-  
ceived the following quotations  
from Singapore in Straits Currency  
for Raw Rubber:

	Buyers
Spot	35% Down 1/2
March	36% Down 1/2
Apr./June	36% Down 1/2
July/Sept.	36% Down 1/2
Market:	Quiet

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## EMPIRE MARKET EXPANDING

### Anglo-New Zealand Trade

New Zealand's desire for an increasing share in an expanding market was expressed by Mr. Walter Nash, New Zealand's Minister of Finance and Marketing, in an address to members of the London Chamber of Commerce. "If the United Kingdom Government," he said, "will give us this expanding share we in turn will guarantee to utilise the whole of the credits that come from the sale of our products in the United Kingdom for the purchase of manufactured goods here. This year we will send to the United Kingdom more goods than have ever been sent in any given period in the history of New Zealand. They will probably approximate to £50,000,000, if not more."

Mr. Nash said that if the policy he had set out was agreed to by the United Kingdom Government Japanese competition would not be a factor in the trade of New Zealand.

"If our policy is agreed to," he added, "we will take all our cotton piece goods from the United Kingdom."

## REVISION OF BRITISH TRADE PACTS

A "prudent revision" of Great Britain's existing trade agreements with several European countries is recommended in the preliminary report of Committee on Trade Agreements appointed by the Association of British Chambers of Commerce.

The countries referred to are Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland and Sweden.

The report states that while certain advantages to British trade have resulted from the agreements, the foreign countries mentioned still have the better of the bargain.

The report bases the need for revision on the following grounds:

**Protective Regime.** The agreements were made when the trade depression was still acute; Far-reaching changes in the balance of world economic forces have since occurred; and

United Kingdom commercial policy under a protective regime has itself developed perceptibly beyond the point at which it stood when these agreements were made, and not least so in

## RUBBER PRICE SHOULD BE STABILISED

For the first time since 1929, the price of crude rubber has passed the 19-cent mark, and by every present indication will reach higher brackets in the next few months. This rise in prices is due almost solely to the regulations and restrictions imposed on signatory countries by the International Rubber Regulation Committee. The unannounced and unofficial goal of this committee has been reached, viz.: a spot price for crude rubber sufficient to enable profits for the producers. Reaching of allied goals—limited production, decline in world stocks, consumption increase—has caused the price rise.

Now that crude rubber prices have passed the 19-cent mark, it would seem that the time has arrived for the International Rubber Regulation Committee to consider more carefully and more fully the effect of their past decisions on the manufacturers who consume the raw material.

**Something Should Be Done** Additional price increases in crude rubber would certainly make it increasingly difficult for many manufacturers, particularly smaller manufacturers, to compete with their larger competitors. It might even result in forcing many small manufacturers to close their doors—especially if there occurs any even mild skyrocketing of prices.

Crude rubber prices are still rising. There is no assurance that the rise may not get temporarily out of the Committee's power to control. Only eleven years ago, in 1925, the average price per pound for the year was 72.46 cents, and just as small manufacturers suffered on the rise, the stronger companies took an equal beating on the

regard to its agricultural policy.

The committee is in general agreement with the League of Nations Economic Committee on the question of equality of treatment to ensure which is the object of the most-favoured-nation clause in commercial treaties. It is strongly of the opinion, however, that such treatment should only be accorded to countries prepared to meet the reasonable requirements of this country in their treatment of British goods.

The report declares that some trades complain that they are entirely overlooked in the agreements.

The purchase arrangements in the agreements have proved of great benefit, and the committee suggests that, where this system is substituted for preferential grants of licences and quotas, it should be extended to manufactured goods in general.

subsequent decline. Something should be done—and done now—to avert any similar occurrence. It is time to call a halt to restriction of cultivation alone, and give some thought to price stabilisation.

Rubber manufacturers do not solicit a low price on crude rubber. Nor do they favour a high price. They most emphatically prefer—and merit—a reasonable and not unstable price.

**A Reasonable Price** According to carefully considered estimates, a price of 16 to 18 cents a pound on crude rubber would enable efficient plantations to pay excellent dividends after providing for depreciation, replanting gradually, and all other expenses.

Price stabilisation around that figure should certainly satisfy plantation investors, privately-owned cultivation projects and other interests. It would be a move in the right direction, although it might and would be heavily frowned upon by market speculators.

Particularly would small rubber manufacturers receive such stabilisation with open arms. As a good and steady customer, the rubber manufacturer warrants this consideration.

In the same manner that the International Rubber Regulation Committee achieved restricted production, increased consumption, smaller world stocks, and thus higher prices, so now must it assure reasonable price stability. The need is imperative; the method is unimportant; the result would be a gratifying increase of confidence in the capacity and dependability of the International Committee.—*The Rubber Age.*

## BERLIN BOURSE

Berlin, To-day.

The new week on the Bourse opened with the share market dull, buying orders from banks being almost entirely non-existent.

The turn-over, which was very small, consisted almost entirely of deals carried out by operators.

Price movements were erratic but declines were mostly small, the market showing good resistance owing to the absence of selling orders on foreign account.

News of the renewal of the German-Polish trade treaty for two years had a stimulating effect later in the day.—*Trans-Ocean.*

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# SERVICES DEFEAT SHANGHAI XI

## MAGNIFICENT HALF BACK DISPLAY

### WRIDE, EVANS TALBOT IN LIMELIGHT

#### JIM WARD SHINES FOR LOSERS



H. E. the G.O.C., Major General A. W. Bartholomew, being presented to the Interport soccer teams at last Thursday's classic on the Navy ground at Causeway Bay. Behind him is Major C. M. Manners, Chairman of the H.K.F.A. (China Mail photo).

## CIVILIAN BOYS SOCCER WIN OVER ARMY BOYS

### BEWILDERING PACE SET BY WINNERS THROUGHOUT

**A**N EXCELLENT FOOTBALL GAME WAS WITNESSED AT A SOOKUNPOO YESTERDAY WHEN THE ARMY BOYS AND THE CIVILIAN SCHOOLBOYS MET IN A "CURTAIN RAISER" TO THE SHANGHAI-COMBINED SERVICES GAME. THE LATTER TEAM WINNING BY FOUR CLEAR GOALS.

The standard of football was exceptionally high for local boys and there were many pretty movements witnessed during the game, which was played at a fast pace from start to finish. The game was made more interesting to watch as the ball was swung from wing to wing and there was not that concentration on any particular player, which has been the feature of several of the big games recently.

The feature of the game was the delightful approach work of the Civilian forward line, Pryde at inside-right, and P. Jorge, who took over the centre-forward berth, being outstanding. Both players displayed excellent ball control and together with Rocha, at inside-left, fully extended Taylor, the Army pivot. These players showed such good understanding of one another's play that one would have thought they had played together for some time, instead of being drawn from three different schools.

**GOTTSCHE SHINES**  
Gottsche, the Civilian pivot, was also in good form. He kicked well and was useful with his head. He kept the game open with long passes to his wingers and with hard punts down the centre. Sequeira at right half, was good in spoiling, but was inclined to lie too far back when his side was attacking, while behind him Keown was sound and prominent with some powerful kicking. These players were, however, poor in covering each other with the result that Shone, the opposite winger, had several unmolested runs down the wing.

Jeffrey was safe in goal and displayed sound anticipation in dealing with all manner of shots, but he unfortunately held on to the ball too long.

The speed of the Civilian boys bewildered the Army lads at the outset and they took a long time to settle down. Taylor, in the pivotal position, was very hard working, but had all his time cut out watching the opposite inside-trio.

**WINGERS SHINE**  
In the forward line McDonald and Shone were fast wingers and sent over good centres, but the inside-forwards were weak in their



Bugl A. Stevens, above, will be seen at left-back for the Association team to meet East China tomorrow.

shooting and Jeffrey, in goal, was rarely tested.

The Civilians scored the first goal through Rocha and shortly after Maycock placed them further in the lead. Before the interval Jorge increased the lead with a neat header from a pass by Pryde.

In the second period, the Army had more of the game but hesitation in front of the goal lost them several scoring opportunities. Pryde completed the scoring when he neatly turned a centre from Maycock goalwards and following up, netted.

After the game Lieut. Col. D. M. Barchard, Officer Commanding the Royal Welch Fusiliers, presented medals to both the teams.

**Army Boys:**—Griffiths (Fusiliers); Pritchard (Fusiliers) and Edwards (Rifles); Bruce (Seaforths), Taylor (Fusiliers) and Williams (Fusiliers); McDonald (Seaforths), Burnell (Rifles), Lewis (Rifles), Lardner (Fusiliers) and Shone (Fusiliers).

**Civilian Boys:**—T. Jeffrey (C.B.S.); A. Keown (C.B.S.) and A. Souza (St. J.); A. Sequeira (St. J.), A. Gottsche (La Salle) and A. Ulrich (La Salle); E. Maycock (C.B.S.), P. Jorge (La Salle), W. Pryde (C.B.S.), R. Rocha (St. J.) and A. Cruz (La Salle).

**T**HOUGH they played by far their best football of the tour, it was a somewhat tired Shanghai team which finally bowed to the Combined Services yesterday. Shanghai lost by the odd goal in three to a team which played a fine bustling type of soccer, with brilliant touches raising the standard of play to heights seldom reached in the Interport game.

The brilliance of the Combined Services' intermediate line was really responsible for Shanghai's defeat, and they continually broke up the Northern attacking movements. Wride, in the pivotal berth, and Evans and Taylor, on the right and left flanks, providing an almost impregnable wall and as a result Stevens and Wolverson, the backs, were only called upon to clear their lines on rare occasions.

The Shanghai defence rose to the occasion too and gave a spirited performance. Boissezon, in goal, was masterly and Collet, at right-back was great, unrecognisable as the half of the Interport. Victal's nomadic instincts very nearly resulted the Shanghai citadel falling on several occasions.

**BOUT OF FEVER**  
Jack Ward, at centre-half, was the best of the halves getting through a lot of work unostentatiously while Bell, at left-half, in the absence of an understanding with Victal, gave Le Page, the Services' right-winger, a holiday. He spoiled well and his clearances were good.

The Shanghai attack lacked cohesion, but praise must go to Jim Ward, the left-winger, for a fine display under trying conditions. He was always very dangerous and elusive and had very bad luck with his solo efforts.

Bossuet worked very hard at inside-left to make the openings, but found Evans, his opposing half-back, not to his liking. The latter played a wonderful game and more often than not secured the ball in their tussles. Foyn began well but was soon blotted out by Taylor.

**BRILLIANT ATTACK**  
The Services' attack was in dashing mood, the inclusion of Miller, at centre-forward, keeping the Shanghai defence on the alert. In the opening half they were inclined to keep the ball close and found themselves held up but they opened up the game after the interval and were always dangerous.

Talbot gave an inspired display at inside-left, and combined very effectively with Ferguson, but the real danger in the Services' attack came from Howlett and Le Page, on the right-wing.

Howlett's pretty touches in the attack were wasted in the face of a quick-tackling attack, but he improved in the latter stages of the game and was very unlucky not to have netted on two occasions.

**ANXIOUS MOMENTS**  
Miller, a fine bustling centre-forward, gave Boissezon many anxious moments.

Both teams settled down quickly and Shanghai were a goal up in the fifth minute, when a shot by Jim Ward was trapped by Robostoff.

### INTERPORT RESULTS AT A GLANCE

#### INTERPORT

SHANGHAI	4	HONG KONG	3
SHANGHAI	4	H.K. CHINESE	1
SHANGHAI	1	C. SERVICES	2

whose smashing drive caught Rowlands on the knee and rebounded for a second attempt, from which Shanghai took the lead.

Boissezon, at the other end, was called upon to make a fine save, pulling down a terrific first-time shot by Miller, off a centre by Le Page.

**MISSED SITTER**  
The Services dominated the exchanges during the remainder of the half, but despite several wonderful opportunities, including a "sitter" by Talbot, were unable to level the scores.

The equalising goal came from Ferguson, whose centre from the touchline, was misjudged by Boissezon, who allowed the ball to travel over his head into the net.

The Services dominated play for long periods with an occasional breakaway by the Shanghai attack, originating on the left-wing.

**SERVICES AHEAD**  
The Services eventually went ahead when Talbot cleverly turned a low centre from Le Page into the net, Victal being at fault in giving the Services' right-winger too much room.

The game was witnessed by H.E. The Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, H.E. the G.O.C., Major General A. W. Bartholomew, Hon. Colonial Secretary, Mr. N. L. Smith, the Commodore, Rear-Admiral C. G. Sedgwick, Col. H. C. Harrison, Col. D. M. Barchard, Commander Wauhope, R.N., Major C. M. Manners and many others.

**C. Services:**—Rowlands (Fusiliers); Wolverson (Navy) (Captain) and Stevens (Rifles); Evans (Fusiliers); Wride (Navy) and Taylor (Fusiliers); Le Page (Navy), Howlett (R.E.), Miller (Seaforths), Talbot (Fusiliers) and Ferguson (Rifles).

**Shanghai XI:**—De Boissezon; Collet and Victal; Cochran, Jack Ward and Bell; Foyn, Willie Ward, Robostoff, Bossuet and Jim Ward.



# SHANGHAI LADIES SHARE SPOILS



Miss M. Westcott, above, the "Y" Ladies speedy winger, played for the Champions against the visiting Shanghai Ladies Hockey eleven yesterday.

## H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT

### Large Entries For Club Events

The Hong Kong Cricket Club's annual lawn tennis tournament, which will be run in conjunction with the Colony championships on the Chater Road courts, have drawn a very large response, the Club championship drawing 22 entries, including last year's runner-up, A. L. Sullivan, who is expected to reach the final once again.

L. Goldman, the holder, is at present away from the Colony on leave, but Sullivan should be fully extended by M. Pagh, who is expected to reach the final.

In the other events there are 20 entries for the Club Handicap Singles "A", 16 entries for the Handicap Singles "B", 25 entries for the Handicap Doubles and 12 entries for the Mixed Handicap Doubles.

The following are the full entries:—

**Club Championship**  
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**Handicap Singles "B"**  
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**Handicap Doubles**  
R. G. L. Oliphant and A. M. Mack, F. V. Harrison and A. S. Read, J. C. Pool and R. M. Henry, J. M. Richardson and R. M. Wood, R. Hancock and T. E. Pearce, G. E. R. Divett and B. O'M. Deane, G. W. Sewell and E. Bathurst, W. Wooding and H. F. Green, W. Stoker and D. L. Prophet, T. C. Monaghan and V. R. Gordon, G. S. Chambers and J. Hall, M. Pagh and J. Thomson, A. C. I. Bowker and R. K. Valentine, A. H. McBride and N. K. Littlejohn, A. H. Fenn and J. R. Collis, E. H. Williams and L. R. Andrewes, F. G. Nigel and R. M. M. King, E. M. Bryden and D. S. Robb, Major R. L. Withington and A. K. Mackenzie, C. C. Stark and F. A. Joseph, F. A. Redmond and L. Forster, J. Rodger and G. S. Rodger, O. E. C. Marton and D. E. Evans, Dr. L. T. Ride and J. F. Leys, and R. H. Griffiths and Dr. J. A. R. Selby.

**Mixed Handicap Doubles**  
F. V. Harrison and Miss D. Dodwell, J. C. Pool and Miss V. K. Allen, T. C. Monaghan and Miss M. Corrihan, A. C. I. Bowker and Mrs. J. R. Collis, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. D. Wodehouse, J. Ward.

## CAER CLARK WINNERS RIGHT OFF FORM

### NORTHERN DEFENCE IN THE LIMELIGHT

#### MISSSES LITTLE AND BOMKO SHINE

(By "ADREM")

APPARENTLY suffering from staleness, the visiting Shanghai Ladies' Hockey team drew with the current Caer Clark Cup champions, the "Y" Ladies, in a scrappy game at King's Park yesterday afternoon.

Shanghai took a loal lead, scored by Miss Kelly after a goalless first half, but the "Y" equalised through Miss Smith, late in the second half. The Northern team were unlucky not to have registered their first victory, as Miss Smith was in a doubtful position when she scored.

THIS GAME ONCE AGAIN REVEALED THE EXCELLENCE OF SHANGHAI'S DEFENCE. MISS BOMKO, DESPITE A RATHER BADLY INJURED ANKLE, MISS VICTAL AND MISS LITTLE COMPLETELY DISORGANISED THE OPPOSING FORWARDS AND WERE MAINLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FINE SHOWING OF THEIR TEAM.

Miss Dunlap, who deputised for Miss Carion in goal, showed remarkable coolness and altogether gave a sound performance. She was always ready to leave her charge when necessary, and in the first half saved a real "stinger" from a short-corner.

Miss Victal and Miss Bomko had a perfect understanding and had both opposing wings well under control. Miss Westcott was not allowed to send in one really effective centre. Miss Little was all over the field spoiling attacks and sending her forwards away with well-directed passes. Miss Petigura, on her left, was also conspicuous, while Miss Ambrose, a reserve, gave a creditable display to considerably worry the Smith-Westcott wing.

#### DISCOURAGED

The attack was rather disappointing. Miss Sheridan, in the absence of both her usual inside-forwards, was forced to play a lone hand and towards the end appeared to become discouraged. Miss Lobo, at inside-right, was weak and Miss Bloomfield, the Shanghai skipper, on the right-wing, might have been advised to have changed places with her. Miss Kelly worked hard, at inside-left, as did Miss Debby Bloomfield, on the left-wing, but they were a shade too slow.

The "Y" Ladies' team were very disappointing and never showed anything like the form which won them the championship. They were very disjointed as a whole, and were lucky not to have been defeated.

#### ERRATIC HALVES

Miss Stephens, in goal, was not really tested throughout the game owing to the sterling work of Miss Fowler and Mrs. Burke, in the back division. Both played very well and cleared with power and precision. Miss Thomson, in the pivotal position, showed good anticipation and was responsible for some fine interceptions, but her wing-halves, Miss Tonge and Miss Lakeman were too erratic in both their tackling and feeding to be of much assistance to the attack.

F. L. Smalley and Miss Smalley, Major E. L. and Mrs. Withington, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Mackenzie, G. Polglase and Mrs. R. M. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sullivan, and W. Wooding and Miss



The forwards, who should have been the strongest section of the team, were right off form and clearly missed the bustling Mrs. Gardiner, at inside right. Her sister, Miss O. Dalziel, who occupied that position yesterday, never seemed really happy when the ball came her way, which was not very often.

#### BAD FAULT

Miss Bradbury gave a fair performance, on the right-wing, but was not nearly powerful enough with her centring. Mrs. Read, the leader, was well and truly bottled by Miss Little, and Miss Smith could not cope with Miss Bomko. Miss Westcott has struck a very bad patch, at the moment, and is consistently revealing her old fault of trying to take the ball down on her own and score by herself instead of passing. She was robbed nine times out of ten.

The game was fairly even and it was not until the second-half that Miss Kelly beat Mrs. Stephens with a rising shot from the left, which gave her very little chance. End to end play then featured the exchanges with both defences prominent. Five minutes from the end, after both goals had been threatened, Miss Smith scored from a melee in front of goal and at the time appeared to be well off-side.

It is unfortunate that Shanghai were unable to register a win as they will not be seen in action again. As already announced, the proposed games with the Army Ladies and the Combined Schoolgirls will not materialise.

Shanghai:—Miss Barbara Dunlap, Miss F. Bomko and Miss E. Victal; Miss W. Ambrose, Miss E. Little and Miss Petigura; Miss E. Bloomfield, Miss L. Lobo, Miss M. Sheridan, Miss N. Kelly and Miss D. Bloomfield.

"Y" Ladies:—Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Burke and Miss A. Fowler; Miss K. Tonge, Miss E. Thomson and Miss J. Lakeman; Miss V. Bradbury, Miss O. Dalziel, Mrs. Read, Miss M. Smith and Miss M. Westcott.



Miss O. Dalziel, above, played against the Shanghai Ladies yesterday, as an inside-right.

## RE-ARRANGED LEAGUE SOCCER FIXTURES

### Eight Senior Games Outstanding

At the last meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Football Association, the postponed League fixtures have been re-arranged by the League Management Committee as follows:—

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17.

Second Division  
Police v Rifles  
Lyemun v Club  
Engineers v Kowloon

#### Third Division

Kumaon Rifles v Ordnance

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

#### First Division

Club v Recreio

#### Second Division

Engineers v Chinese Police

#### Third Division

Kumaon Rifles v Medicals

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 6

#### First Division

Navy v Club

St. Joseph's v Police

#### Second Division

Kowloon Chinese v Kowloon

Athletic v Stonecutters

#### Third Division

Recreio v Air Force

Engineers v European Police

Kumaon Rifles v Chinese Police

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

#### First Division

Navy v South China "B"

Kowloon v St. Joseph's

Seafarths v Recreio

Club v Kowloon Chinese

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 13

#### Second Division

Navy v Eastern

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

#### First Division

South China "A" v Eastern

## HOCKEY MEETING NEXT WEEK

A meeting of the Hong Kong Hockey Association will be held in the St. Andrew's Church Hall next Monday commencing at 5.30 p.m. when the minutes of the previous meetings will be read and confirmed.

Other items on the agenda include nominations for a successor to the President, who is resigning, due to his departure from the Colony on long leave; the election of representatives for the International Tournament and to arrange dates of matches, and to receive nominations for a successor to the Hon. Secretary, who is shortly leaving the Colony on long leave.

It is officially stated that the Shanghai Ladies Interport Hockey team will not take part in matches against United Services or Schoolgirls elevens.



## CUTTING OUT THE CAUTION

### FOUL PLAY IN FOOTBALL LEAGUE HEAD'S VIEWS

(By "SPOT KICK")

London, January 10.

Pray silence for the President, Sir Francis Joseph, the active leader who holds that office in the progressive Stoke City club, yesterday gave a luncheon to mark the formal opening of the new Butler-street stand, and expressed his views on foul play in football.

Sir Francis tells me he is concerned about the number of players suffering from ankle injuries this last month. "Why should it not be possible," he asks, "for a referee to send off the field for that game only a man guilty of foul play? In my opinion, there ought to be two types of punishment—one where a man is simply ordered out of the game in progress, and the other where he is not only sent off but his case referred to the Football Association for additional penalty."

"A scheme worthy of our consideration," says the President of the Football League (Mr. C. E. Sutcliffe).

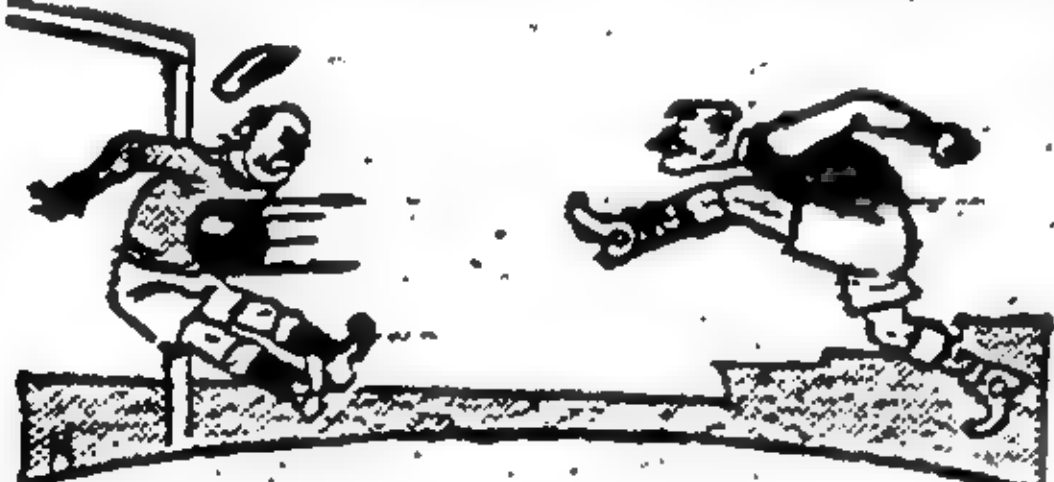
#### EVER-PRESENT DETERRENT

I am glad the plan is developing, as a plea along similar lines was made here soon after the season's start by a third President (Mr. Bendle W. Moore, of Derby County).

It is the Derby chief's idea that the greater speed of the game causes more collisions, more appearance of rough play, and so more bumps and injuries, but I am with these leaders in their desire for an ever-present deterrent to foul play.

#### NO WARNING

Mr. Bendle Moore tells me, by way of example, that he desires to deal with the man who deliberately trips an opponent to prevent a goal.



Such fouls he would penalise by sending the offender to the pavilion without a previous warning.

"The disgrace would be punishment enough," he declares, "unless it was an incident calling for a heavier penalty or the player was an old offender, when the F.A. would consider the question of his suspension."

"If such a case arose in a Derby County match, I would say: The punishment is just. Our man has unfairly prevented the scoring of a goal. He has given us an unjust advantage, and we have no right to complain in losing his services for the rest of the match."

#### REFEREE'S POWERS

Two questions arise: is refereeing sufficiently sound to entrust it with this additional power? This the authorities can argue.

What happens when a player is ordered off late in the game? A fine or suspension might follow, according to circumstances.

It's a good scheme. There are one or two bullies about. This would cow them.



Foy, the Shanghai right-winger, above, gave a grand display in the Interport match against the Colony last Thursday.

## SUCCESSFUL INTERPORT FIFTEENS

### HONG KONG NOW IN THE LEAD

The following are successful Shanghai and Hong Kong Interport Rugby teams which have won the "Saker Shield" since the inception of the Series in 1923-34 season.

1923-4—Shanghai—G. D. Nicholl, G. F. H. Bickard, R. L. S. Webb, C. A. W. Thompson, J. Shaw, H. W. P. McMeekin (Captain), G. E. Goolden, W. D. N. Neil, E. J. Dowley, S. A. Grew, E. A. Jenkinson, D. W. Leach, W. E. D. Smith, J. C. Stewart, and B. S. Stephenson.

1924-5—No game.

1925-6—Shanghai—G. D. Nicholl, D. G. Hooper, L. Goldman, A. J. W. Evans, G. F. H. Bickard, J. W. King, W. D. N. Neill, P. A. Watkinson, W. R. Wall, J. C. Stewart, J. H. Raikes, S. A. Grew, G. S. Dunkley, A. E. Crowe, and C. Trenchard-Davis (Captain).

1927-8—Hong Kong—Lt. Comdr. A. E. Thompson, R.N.; G. P. Lammert, G. F. H. Bickard, L. M. S. Lloyd, A. E. Pritchard, C. D. Wales (Captain), Lt. G. P. S. Davies, R.N.; T. L. Foster, Lt. J. H. Dale, R.N.; F. H. Traves, H. F. Akehurst, Lt. J. B. Kealy (Queen's), W. Beveridge, S. M. Garrard and Lt. H. A. Grant, R.N.

1928-9—Hong Kong—R. J. Grieve; H. V. Koop (Captain), G. A. L. Plummer, V. W. L. Stanion, M. D. Scott; J. L. Bonnar, C. D. Wales; D. L. Milne-Dey, H. F. Akehurst, W. Leckie, T. Riddell, E. R. West, W. Lithgow Smith, R. P. Moodie and B. P. Massey.

1929-30—Shanghai—J. C. Taylor, G. S. McGill, N. K. Crawford, J. A. L. Peach, I. E. McGilchrist, E. C. Hubbard, W. D. Neil, A. J. Kane, R. D. K. Silby, D. M. Wheeler, J. G. B. Dewar, G. S. Chambers, L. F. Payne, W. R. Meathrel, and H. A. Browning.

1930-1—Hong Kong—J. P. Whitam; G. R. More, R. H. Griffiths, G. A. L. Plummer, G. P. Lammert; M. W. Turner, J. A. R. Selby; W. E. Peers, J. H. McElney, E. F. Buttress, F. R. Burch, W. F. Leckie, B. P. Massey (Captain), D. L. Milne-Day and E. B. Gammell.

1932-3—Hong Kong—J. P. Whitam; J. J. Ferguson, W. H. B. Rigg, R. H. Griffiths, G. P. Lammert; M. W. Turner, J. A. R. Selby (Captain); D. McLellan, I. H. Bradford, W. E. Peers, W. F. Kerr, A. P. Hall Thompson, J. C. Miller, R. I. Cherrill and A. F. Walkden.

1933-4—Hong Kong—J. P. Whitam; J. J. Ferguson, L. G. Robertson, R. H. Griffiths, G. P. Lammert; M. W. Turner, H. C. Meeker, A. F. Walkden, W. E. Peers, G. A. Stewart, I. H. Bradford, F. R. Burch, R. O. F. King, D. A. Cunningham and D. McLellan (Captain).

1934-5—Shanghai—C. J. A. Taylor; G. S. McGill, J. P. C. Master, W. E. Grieve, H. D. Bidwell; J. Bowerman, R. F. Blix, J. S. Lee, J. S. Ritchie, D. McL. Wheeler, H. W. Carter, N. Hicks, R. J. P. Stewart, E. P. Humphreys and P. J. Poole.

1935-6—Shanghai—P. de Besumont; G. S. McGill, E. H. Roe, H. D. Bidwell, J. H. Stewart, J. Bowerman (Capt.); J. P. C. Master, W. J. Richmond, E. Slesap, W. D. Pearson, H. W. Carter,

## CLUB JUNIORS FOR TO-MORROW

### Will Meet Lyemun In Junior League

The Hong Kong Football Club juniors are making several changes for their Second Division League soccer match to-morrow against Lyemun, which will commence at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

Bultman and Krilovsky, who played on the right-wing and at centre-half, respectively, in the last match against South China, will occupy the right and left full-back positions, while H. Millington, who was seen at left-back, will lead the intermediate line. Wilson, who was also a full-back in the game against South China, will be on the right-wing, supported by G. Milne, the captain, while the rest of the team retain their old positions.

The following is the team:—

Stephens, Bultman and Krilovsky; Purvis, H. Millington and Shaw; Wilson, Milne, Gilchrist, E. Fowler and Sloan. Reserve: Leppard.

### IRELAND RUGBY FIFTEEN TO MEET SCOTLAND

The following have been selected to represent Ireland against Scotland in the International Rugby series on February 22:—

Malcolmson (North Ireland); Boyle (Dublin University); Bailey (University College, Dublin); McMahon (Black Rock College); Morgan (Clontarf); Cromey (Queen's); Morgan (Clontarf) (captain); Alexander (North Ireland); Corken (Collegians); Deering (Bective); Graves (Wanderers); Lawlor (Bective); Russell (University College, Cork); Siggins (Collegians); Walker (Collegians).

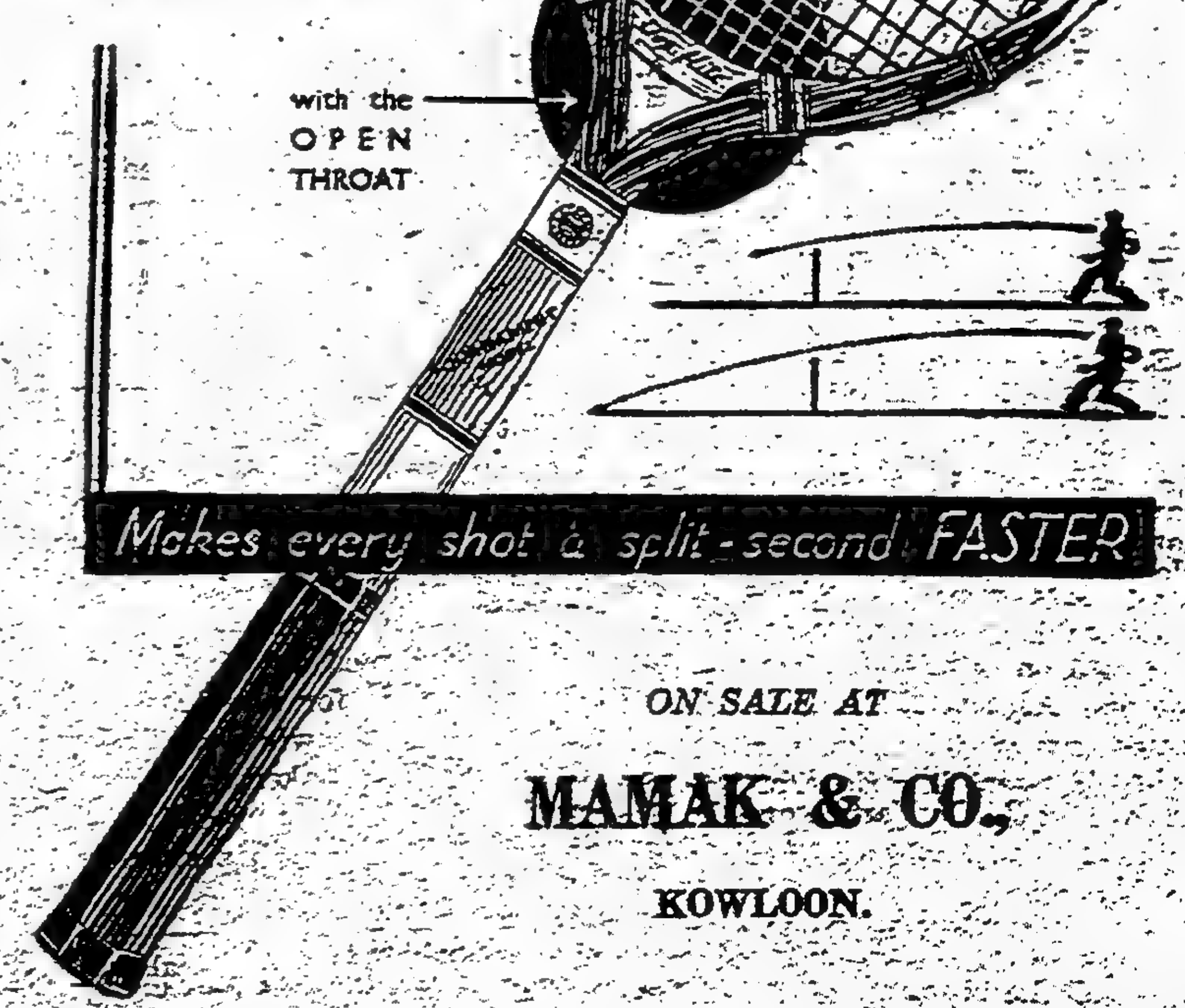
T. W. Gubb (Vice-Capt.), P. Blix, R. G. Geer, R. J. S. Stewart, W. H. Duke, 1936-7—Hong Kong—J. P. Whitam; K. A. Munro; W. E. Grieve; H. D. Bidwell and G. K. Chadwick; A. H. R. Butcher and J. L. Bonnar; A. F. Walkden, W. E. Peers and E. P. Humphreys; I. H. Bradford and A. W. Holden; B. O'M. Deane, K. A. Watson and J. Redman.

#### SUMMARISED RESULTS

	P.	W.	L.	F.	Pts.
Hong Kong	11	6	5	98	75
Shanghai	10	5	6	75	98

## SPALDING

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Jack Ward, above, the Shanghai centre-half, gave a fine display in the match between a Shanghai XI and the Combined Services at Soccer yesterday.

## WEEK-END GOLF RESULTS FROM FANLING

The following were the competition results of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club played over the week-end:

Adamson Cup (February Qualifying Round).—E. Tuck, 83—17=68; qualifies. There were seven entries.

Fanling Chinese New Year Meeting.—Bogey (Par) Pool, Old Course, E. G. Smith, Wright (11) and R. I. Cherrill (15) were all square and divide the first two prizes; H. El. Pethick (15), one down, wins the third prize. He was one up on the last nine holes. There were 113 entries.

Mixed Bogey, New Course.—J. W. and Mrs. Mayhew were one up. There were 22 entries.

Medal Round, Old Course.—D. S. Edward, 75—3=72. There were 39 entries.

Junior Championship (Semi-final).—N. K. Littlejohn beat B. D. Evans two up and plays W. Sharp or D. J. Valentine in the final.

Stubbs' Shield (Semi-final).—Harbour Office beat P.W.D. 4 and 3, and play A.P.C. in the final.



# INTERPORT SOCCER DINNER

## COL. HARRISON'S PLEA FOR CLEANER SOCCER

### LEE WAI-TONG'S REMARKS

Sincere tributes to the excellence of the football and the sportsmanship of the visiting team were expressed at the Interport dinner, held in honour of the Shanghai Football Association team at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden last night.

COLONEL H. C. HARRISON HAD SOME FRANK THINGS TO SAY ABOUT THE LESSON IN CLEAN FOOTBALL THAT HAD BEEN GIVEN, AND AFTER EXPRESSING HIS ADMIRATION FOR THE HONG KONG CAPTAIN, MR. LEE WAI-TONG, APPEALED TO HIM TO EXERT HIS GREAT INFLUENCE WITH REGARD TO THIS ASPECT OF THE GAME.

The Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, President of the Hong Kong Football Association, presided at the function, which was very well attended. Amongst those present were His Honour, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Rear Admiral C. G. Sedgwick, Col. H. C. Harrison, Major C. M. Mannors, Dr. S. To Wong, Capt. G.W.P. Kimm, Commr. C. D. Arbuthnot, Commissioned Gunner Warren, Mr. Stanley Gash (Coach and Manager of the Shanghai team), Mr. Jack Ward (Vice-Captain of the Shanghai team), and Messrs. T. A. Mitchell, J. McKelvie, E. G. Isley and Lee Wai-tong (Captain of the Hong Kong team).

#### HON. MR. N. L. SMITH

The Hon. Mr. Smith proposed the Loyal Toast, after which he addressed the gathering as follows:

Gentlemen, I rise to propose the health of the Shanghai Football Association. In doing so I feel rather an impostor as to my great regret I have to confess that I did not see what I am told was a very fine and a very fast game on Thursday last. I have no excuse except an inborn predisposition to take exercise myself when possible rather than watch other people taking exercise. I did however snatch the opportunity this afternoon of seeing our visitors trying to show the Combined Services how the game should be played and that only makes my regret the greater.

Any opportunity of getting to know our neighbours is to be seized these days, and sporting contests are an excellent medium for such a process. And we hope that Shanghai will not mind very much if we feel it our duty a year hence to bring the Cup back south again. Gentlemen, I give you the Shanghai Football Association. (Applause).

#### MR. GASH'S REPLY

In reply, Mr. Gash said that he and the Shanghai team were sorry that the captain, L. Marcal, was not there with them but he had to return to Shanghai that morning.

Mr. Gash assured the Hong Kong team that the Shanghai players considered themselves very lucky to have won the Interport match, but if anything could have added to their satisfaction, it was the way in which the Hong Kong men took their defeat.

Mr. Gash handed a replica of the Interport Cup to the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith on behalf of the Shanghai Football Association. He also presented souvenirs to Messrs. W. E. Hollands and S. MacCormac for the services they had rendered to the Shanghai team during their visit. (Applause).

#### YOUTH TRIUMPHS

Called upon to hand over the trophy and the Hong Kong F. A. flag to Mr. Jack Ward, the Shanghai Vice-Captain, Mr. Lee Wai-tong said:



The Hon. Colonial Secretary, Mr. N. L. Smith, above, presided at the Interport dinner to the Shanghai Interport Football team on the H.K. Hotel Roof Garden last night.

The game can well be described as one of the most if not the most, thrilling encounters and will long be remembered by players and spectators alike. We have often heard that "experience" in most cases has an edge over "youth" in sporting activities, but I am sorry to tell a different tale this time because "youth" has triumphed over "experience." On behalf of my team I wish to congratulate our Northern friends on their splendid victory.

In receiving the Cup and flag, Mr. Jack Ward expressed regret that Mr. L. Marcal was not there to receive them as was his due. In a neat little speech, he said the Hong Kong players showed the Shanghai team how to play football, while they showed Hong Kong how to get goals (Laughter). He said he and his team-mates would carry back with them to Shanghai happy memories of a very pleasant visit. (Applause).

#### CLEANER SOCCER

Col. Harrison was in a serious mood and said Shanghai showed local footballers three exhibitions of clean football. He knew he would be stepping on the corns of some people, but he did not mind saying that some of the players here needed to be taught how to play clean football.

He referred to Lee Wai-tong's great opportunity of influencing football in China and to work for a better understanding between foreigners and Chinese, and expressed the hope that when Lee retired from the game, as he would have to one day, he would work towards this end (Applause).

During the evening, musical items were given by Messrs. W. C. Simpson, Barton, V. C. Labrum and Sammy Greenberg.



Rfm. Irwin, above, who should have played on the right-wing for the Combined Services yesterday against Shanghai, is at present in Hospital suffering from a bout of fever.

## LAST NIGHT'S BADMINTON LEAGUE RESULTS

### Free Lances Concede Walk-Over

### S. & S. HOME SECURE GOOD WIN

There were not many matches played off in the Badminton League last night. In the Senior Division, Free Lances conceded a walkover to University "A", while the fixture between Recreio "A" and St. Andrew's was postponed.

Chinese Recreation Club continued in winning vein and did well to beat University "B" on the latter's court. Frank Kwok and S. W. Liang were in irresistible form to win three sets without being seriously extended.

In the Junior Division, Sailors' and Soldiers' Home scored a good win over St. Andrew's "B" although they were taken to the odd set. Their hosts played three substitutes.

Kowloon Tong "B" rather surprised King's College, who fielded a depleted team, by taking two sets off them. Hoo and D'Almada and Castro and Alvares played well for the losers.

### K. Tong's Plucky Display

At Kowloon Tong, King's College defeated Kowloon Tong "B" by 7 sets to 2.

K. C. Hoo and C. D'Almada (Kowloon Tong "B")  
lost to H. T. Woo and H. N. Chung 13-21  
lost to K. H. Lo and T. Lam 13-21  
beat J. Pau and K. L. Lui 21-17  
Peter Lo and K. M. Lee (Kowloon Tong "B")  
lost to Woo and Cheung 2-21  
lost to Lo and Lam 7-21  
lost to Pau and Liu 5-21  
J. J. Alvares and A. E. H. Castro (Kowloon Tong "B")  
lost to Woo and Cheung 12-21  
lost to Lo and Lam 12-21  
beat Pau and Liu 21-13

### C.R.C. Win Again

On the University court, Chinese Recreation Club followed up their fine win over Chinese "Y" by defeating University "B" by 6 sets to 3.

S. K. Lim and A. K. Phang (University "B")  
lost to F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang 9-21  
lost to W. C. Choy and B. S. Choy 12-21  
lost to S. W. Ho and C. Y. Yung 19-21  
P. F. Yung and M. M. Lim (University "B")  
lost to Kwok and Liang 12-21  
beat Choy and Choy 21-10  
lost to Ho and Yung 10-21  
K. L. Gai and S. C. Tye (University "B")  
lost to Kwok and Liang 9-21  
beat Choy and Choy 21-10  
beat Ho and Yung 21-9

## CORRESPONDENCE

### BOUQUETS FOR H.K.F.A.

[To The Editor, "China Mail"]

Sir,—With the Interport week already over, I crave a little space in your paper in regard to the Interport match on Thursday, last.

The seating accommodation was taxed to its fullest measure. The way in which the little band of workers showed us to our places deserves the highest congratulations. They worked so hard and no one could do better than they did.

I have witnessed Interport soccer for the last 10 years on the Club ground and never in the history of Colony soccer, had I seen such a band of men who worked so well.

They were always polite and did whatever they could in their power, though on at least two occasions they were abused.

They nevertheless paid little attention to the insults and kept smiling and working until after the game had started.

In conclusion I wish to congratulate the band of workers on the covered stand and the \$1.10 stand for the manner in which they carried out their work. I hope to see the same service in future, such as in the Governor's Cup, Shield final and Sunday Herald Cup competitions.

Thanking you.

Yours etc.,  
FOOTBALL FAN.

## HOME RACING

### Grand National And Lincolnshire Betting

London, Yesterday.

The following is the latest call-over for the Grand National:

Royal Mail, 17 to 20, 9 to 1 t, Drimmore Lad, 100 to 8, t and o, Golden Miller, 15 to 1 o, 100 to 6 t, De La Chance, 111 to 5, t and o, Davy Jones, 25 to 1, t and o, and Ready Cash, 25 to 1 o, 33 to 1 t.

#### Lincolnshire Handicap

The following is the latest call-over for the Lincolnshire Handicap:

Laureate, 100 to 7, Nip-away 25 to 1, Juicio, 25 to 1, King's Gap, 33 to 1. All taken and offered.—Reuter.

### Odd Set Win

At St. Andrew's Church Hall, S and S Home won by the odd set against St. Andrew's "B".

J. P. Dawson and H. R. Darby (St. Andrew's "B")  
lost to Jago and Dyer 10-21  
beat A. R. Brown and Yang Chen 21-18  
lost to H. Baines and J. Sprague 13-21  
A. S. Bliss and M. Weill (St. Andrew's "B")  
beat Jago and Dyer 21-6  
beat Brown and Yang Chen 21-7  
beat Baines and Sprague 21-6  
W. T. Knox and C. E. Wong (St. Andrew's "B")  
lost to Jago and Dyer 6-21  
lost to Brown and Yang Chen 15-21  
lost to Baines and Sprague 9-21

### LEAGUE TABLES

"A" Division			
	P.	W.	D. L. F. A. Pt.
Recreio "A"	8	8	0 0 63 9 16
Recreio "B"	8	5	0 3 30 33 10
C.R.C.	12	5	0 7 47 61 10
Chinese			
Y.M.C.A.	5	3	0 2 27 18 6
St. Andrew's			
"A"	10	3	0 7 41 52 6
University "B"	7	2	0 5 21 42 4
Free Lances	9	1	0 8 21 60 2
"B" Division			
King's College	9	9	0 0 73 8 18
St. John's	10	7	0 3 56 34 14
Kowloon Tong			
"A"	10	7	0 3 57 33 14
V.R.C.	7	5	0 2 39 24 10
S. & S. Home	11	3	0 8 21 78 6
St. Andrew's "B"	9	1	0 8 28 53 2
Kowloon Tong "B"	9	1	0 8 22 59 2



## SPOILING TACTICS MAR GRIM GAME

### ENGLAND'S DROP GOAL WIN OVER WALES

#### FORWARDS CARRY THE DAY

London, January 18.

**A** DROPPED goal to a try is no great matter, but since England beat Wales at Twickenham by this slender margin that single point has its importance. Too much importance, some may say, for Wales did score the only try of a somewhat sterile afternoon, and a draw would perhaps have met the case more equitably, writes Howard Marshall in the "Daily Telegraph."

WHETHER THE MATCH WAS WORTHY OF THE OCCASION I LEAVE YOU TO JUDGE. THE MODERN OUTLOOK UPON RUGBY FOOTBALL IS NOT MINE, AND THIS WAS AN EXPOSITION OF THE MODERN GAME. YOU MAY HAVE FOUND IT EXCITING, SINCE THE SCORES WERE SO CLOSE. YOU MAY HAVE ADMIRERED INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS — THE LEVEL-HEADED AND AGILE OWEN-SMITH, FOR EXAMPLE — AND THE EXCELLENCE OF THE ENGLISH FORWARDS PERHAPS TOOK YOU AGREEABLY BY SURPRISE.

Within the limits imposed by modern theories the game doubtless had its merits. It consisted, in the main, of spoiling and kicking, good enough of its kind, with some grand tackling to reassure those of us whose views are inclined to be old-fashioned. Virility was there in plenty, and ability, but — I ask this in all humility — where were the true ingredients of Rugby football?

## THIL STILL CHAMPION

Brouillard Beaten  
On A Foul

### AFTER DECISION REVERSAL

Paris, To-day.

Marcel Thil, of France, veteran holder of the world's middleweight boxing title, last night successfully retained the championship, when he beat Lon Brouillard, the French Canadian, who was disqualified in the sixth round for an alleged foul blow.

After the first round, which was even, Thil won the second, third, fourth and fifth rounds. In the sixth round Thil dashed from his corner and received an apparently low blow, which sent him to the canvas.

The Referee counted the holder out and awarded the fight to Brouillard, and then reversed his decision! Brouillard lost in similar manner in a title bout against Marcel Thil on January 20, last year. —Reuter.

Look at it in this way. Potentially great attacking players like Wooller, Davies, Kemp, Cranmer and the wing three-quarters had no chances whatever. There was only one constructive movement the whole afternoon, and that was when Tanner slipped away from a loose maul and Wales scored their try.

#### DEFENCE CANCELS ATTACK

Otherwise defence cancelled out attack completely. Why was this? To begin with, the Welsh forwards were beaten in the tight scrummages and the loose mauls. When they did manage to heel the ball came back so clumsily and slowly that England could destroy the Welsh attack at leisure.

The mighty Wooller with his tremendous stride, Davey, whose sudden thrusts we had every reason to fear, the smooth-running Davies — all of them were lost in the confusion which follows slipshod scrummaging. There is the first indictment of the modern neglect of fundamental principles.

And what of England, heeling from two out of every three scrummages, both in the tight and the loose? Kemp, at stand-off half, took his passes like a juggler, but with the ball came Long, a destruc-



Fus. Taylor, above, gave a good display at left-half for the Combined Services against Shanghai yesterday at Sookumpoo.

tructive backrow forward lying right up ready to pounce, a man with a mission.

#### DESTRUCTIVE ROVING

I do not quarrel with Long on this account, though he seemed to stretch the off-side laws considerably. He had a job to do, and very effectively he did it. He was an integral part of the modern theory, and it is with the theory that I do quarrel most violently. Do you consider that purely destructive roving of this sort is in the best interests of the game? If so, I can only answer that the game is not Rugby football, but a greatly inferior development of it.

There you have it, at any rate — a mixture of poor scrummaging, defensive winging, and in-general an aimless welter, a witless wrangling, if I may purloin Mr. Linklater's admirably descriptive phrase. Perhaps it satisfies you, and I will not deny that the players did their best to put some spirit into it.

#### FRUSTRATION

Old fogeys like myself, however, hanker for the more spacious days when forwards and backs worked to a plan, and thought more of building up their own attack than of frustrating attacking moves by their opponents. And it is only because I feel we are in danger of losing so much of the essential grandeur of Rugby football that I persist in this apparently querulous criticism.

Now to the good points, and here let me say at once that the English forwards justified the selectors' confidence in them. Campbell, Milman and Huskisson were particularly active, but the whole pack came most effectively to life.

Kemp, with Long shadowing him tirelessly, made the best of a bad job, Cranmer's energy was immense, Sever spared neither himself nor his opponents and dropped a beautiful goal, and Owen-Smith at full-back was invaluable with his remarkable fielding, his accurate kicking, and his sense of position.

#### WELSH BACKS HANDICAPPED

The Welsh forwards, out-scrummaged, were nevertheless fast in the loose and lively in the line-out, and Tanner did all he could to retrieve the situation behind a beaten pack. Clement on the left wing, moreover, proved that with even reasonable opportunities he might have startled us, and I daresay that is true also of the whole Welsh back division.

#### WALSH DEFEATS DAY

January 15.  
Jimmy Walsh (Chester) the British light-weight champion, had one of the hardest tasks of his career when he beat Alby Day (Old Ford) over 10 rounds at the Stadium Club, London, last night.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

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On Saturday, 20th, Monday, 22nd and Tuesday, 23rd February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Wednesday, 24th February, the first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m., and the first race will be run at 12 o'clock NOON, and on Saturday, 27th February, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be taken after the fifth race on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, and after the fourth race on Wednesday.

#### MEMBERS BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax — or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

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On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

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By Order,

C. B. BROWN

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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 22nd February, 1937, to TUESDAY, 9th March, 1937, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the  
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O. EAGER,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th February, 1937.

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Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the Tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum of \$50 as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown if the Tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions, should the tender be accepted.

Form of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest of any tender.

H. M. HENDERSON,  
Director of Public Works.  
Hong Kong, February 5, 1937.

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The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th February to SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1937 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors

V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.  
Hong Kong, 8th February, 1937.

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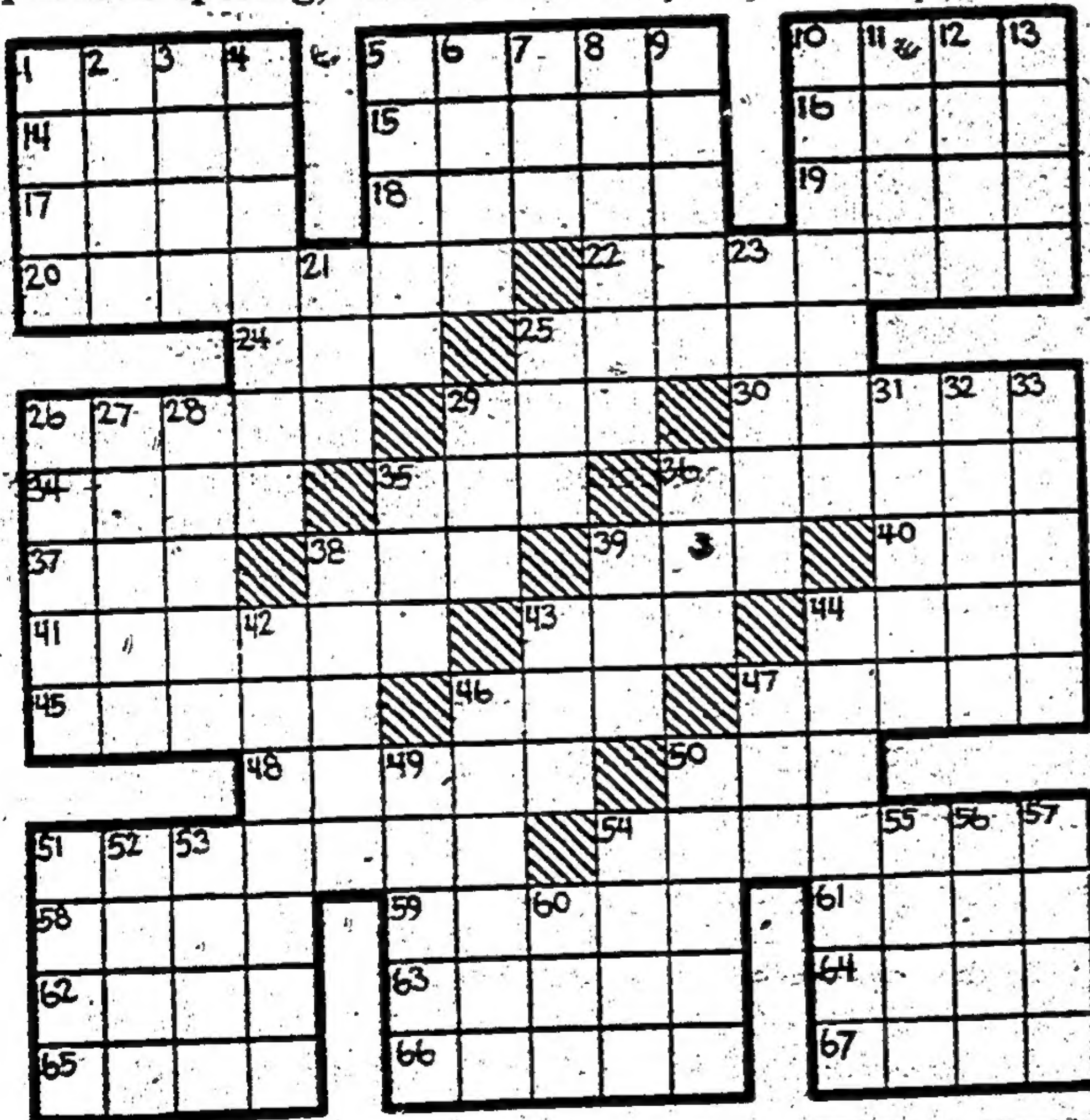
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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



## HORIZONTAL

- 1-Hurl
- 5-A small drum
- 10-Pack
- 14-Surface
- 15-Gnawed
- 16-Hardy
- 17-Scraped linen
- 18-Harvests
- 19-Equipes
- 20-Signifies
- 22-Curb
- 24-Epoch
- 25-Restrain
- 26-Beach
- 29-Beam
- 30-Light
- 34-Covers
- 35-Arm of the sea
- 36-Bone of the forearm
- 37-Unit
- 38-Pale
- 39-A wire measure
- 40-Patch
- 41-Substance used for curdling milk
- 43-Owned
- 44-Animosity
- 45-Prussian city
- 46-Guided
- 47-Nicer

## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 48-Turkish unit of money
- 50-Went swiftly
- 51-Gazers
- 54-Noisy declaimers
- 58-Narrow strip of linen
- 59-A savory jelly
- 61-Entry in an account
- 62-Raw metals
- 63-Torment
- 64-Not any
- 65-Vexatious person
- 66-Penetrates
- 67-Bite repeatedly

## VERTICAL

- 1-Quiet
- 2-Melody
- 3-Dispatched
- 4-Rags
- 5-Earth (Lat.)
- 6-Greek god of war
- 7-A serpent
- 8-Hawk-like bird
- 9-To see again
- 10-Burned the surface of
- 11-Curious
- 12-Gifts for the poor
- 13-Disorder

## VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 21-Before
- 23-Part of a flower
- 25-Period of time
- 26-Hoard
- 27-Sharpening stones
- 28-Unfastens
- 29-Butt
- 31-A Jewish month
- 32-A retinue
- 33-The natural fat
- 34-Small particle
- 35-Clear of
- 38-Compact
- 39-Increase
- 42-Closest
- 43-Pronoun
- 44-Suggesting indirectly
- 46-Diminish
- 47-Agitate
- 49-Idle talk
- 50-A snake
- 51-Cease
- 52-The darts
- 53-Imitates
- 54-Accend
- 55-English school
- 56-Girl's name
- 57-Gull-like bird
- 58-Strike gently

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.



## CLOSE SCRUTINY OF A JURY

### Amusing Incident At Sessions

A rather amusing incident occurred in the Criminal sessions this morning when an accused, asked whether he had any objection to the jury, said he was short-sighted and could not see them from the dock. He was led to the jury box and closely scrutinised each member.

The man was Wong Fong and he was later found not guilty by the jury of possession of heroin, at 170 Gloucester Road.

Accused was represented by Mr. Leo D'Almada jun., instructed by Mr. F. E. Nash.

The following jury was empanelled; E. Hospes (Foreman), H. G. Cooper, H. Sauerbeck, Fung Ho-po, Li Pui-fong, Cheung Kam-chuen and To Shing-chung.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, conducting the case for the Crown, said that at eight a.m. on January 15, Mr. Taylor and Senior Revenue Officer Grimmitt, accompanied by several revenue officers, proceeded to 170, Gloucester Road, top floor, and knocked. Someone peeped through the door but went away without opening it. Several people could be heard moving about, and Mr. Grimmitt tried to force an entry. Meanwhile he sent a revenue officer to the roof where he saw accused moving to the back of the premises carrying two bowls to a room which was afterwards found to be the lavatory.

#### STAINED HANDS

The hands of accused were stained pink and they were cold and damp, having evidently been newly washed. In the front cubicle was found all the necessary materials for manufacturing heroin pills.

When the men were taken to the Police Station and charged, accused stated that the material found did not belong to him as he was only staying with the master. At the Magistracy, he said that he only stayed the night because he had no time to return to his ship.

Mr. D'Almada, before placing accused in the box, reminded the jury that in a case of this description, the onus was on the prosecution to prove to their satisfaction that the accused was guilty and also, if accused told a story which in their opinion, might be true even though he could not substantiate it, he was entitled to acquittal.

#### SEAMAN ASHORE

Accused then stated that he was a seaman from the s.s. Tai Yuen which at the time, was in Taikoo Dock. On the night he was arrested, he came ashore and went to Gloucester Road, the residence of Chan Yu Man, and as his cabin on the boat was under repair, took clothing with him with the idea of spending the night.

He left his clothes on a trestle bed in the middle cubicle and was roused by knocking at the door. Chan Yuk Man met him in a high state of excitement, gave him the bowls and asked him to pour the contents down the water closet, which he did. He did not know the nature of the contents. He accounted for his stained hands by the handling of the bowls.

Mr. D'Almada submitted that the Crown had not proved their case and after His Lordship had summed up, accused was found not guilty and discharged.

Chan Yuk Man who had previously pleaded guilty was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

## WAR VETERANS IN BERLIN

### General Goering's Speech

Berlin, To-day.

The first official reception for the delegates from fourteen nations assembled in Berlin for the congress of the permanent international committee of war veterans, took place at noon yesterday when General Hermann Goering, the Reich Premier, welcomed the visitors at the Air Ministry.

Following a short address by the Chairman of the committee, the Duke of Coburg, General Goering greeted the ex-soldiers as valiant upholders of the ideals of their various nations.

Declaring that those who had fought in the trenches were the best exponents of peace, he urged them to disregard the categories of victor and vanquished and let their conferences in Berlin and their efforts at home be guided by the principles of comradeship and the observance of duty.

All their endeavours, he stated, should be inspired by the desire to bring about peace of honour and equality of rights in the world.—Trans-Ocean.

## BRITISH AID FOR REFUGEES?

### Appeal From Madrid Government

London, To-day.

In the House of Commons at question time yesterday the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs announced that an appeal was received last night from the Spanish Government for the relief of refugees at present at Almeria.

His Majesty's Government were urgently considering whether the question of any international relief action could be profitably examined.

Lord Cranborne recalled that the British proposal last December that assistance for the relief of the Spanish civilian population should be organised on an international basis, was not at that time acceptable to the Spanish Government.—British Wireless.

## VOLCANO CRATER EXPANDS

### Impending Eruption Indicated

The crater of Mount Mihara (2,500 feet high), the famous "suicide volcano" on the island of Oshima, sixty miles south-west of Tokyo, has expanded to ten times its size in 1924, according to a recent survey.

The present elliptical crater has a maximum axis of about 1,000 feet and a minor one 850 feet long, each about three times as long as they were in 1924. The incessant tremors and the continued emission of sulphuric gases are said to have destroyed the crater wall since the previous survey. The absence of any other comparative data is said to make an estimate of the future expansion of the crater impossible. In 1924 the depth was not measured, but this time it was found to be nearly 900 feet.

Experts believed that if the crater shows signs of becoming shallower an impending eruption is indicated. However, it is pointed out that Mihara is of the Kilanea type rather than similar to Mt. Asama or Sakurajima. Eruptions merely mean the overflow of much lava with no likelihood of danger to the 7,000 inhabitants of Oshima.

Orsett Isolation Hospital, Grays, has been closed to visitors because of influenza among nurses.

## SOCIALISTS SUPPORT BLUM

### Resolution On Spanish Situation

Paris, To-day.

Unqualified support of the Blum Government was resolved on by the Socialist Party Convention which concluded here last night.

Two resolutions were passed, one giving support to the Government and the other dealing with the Spanish situation.

The resolution welcomes the Government's adherence to the policy of collective security and indivisible peace.

The Party, however, emphasises that the policy of non-interference in Spain has not had the desired results and that the present situation cannot continue since it is endangering international peace.

The resolution demands energetic action by the Government to establish an effective system of control, including the entire coast line of the Spanish peninsula.

Should these efforts not lead to tangible results the Government should consider recovery of its freedom of action.—Trans-Ocean.

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